

Transverse polarization of $\Lambda(\bar{\Lambda})$ at Belle and Belle II experiment

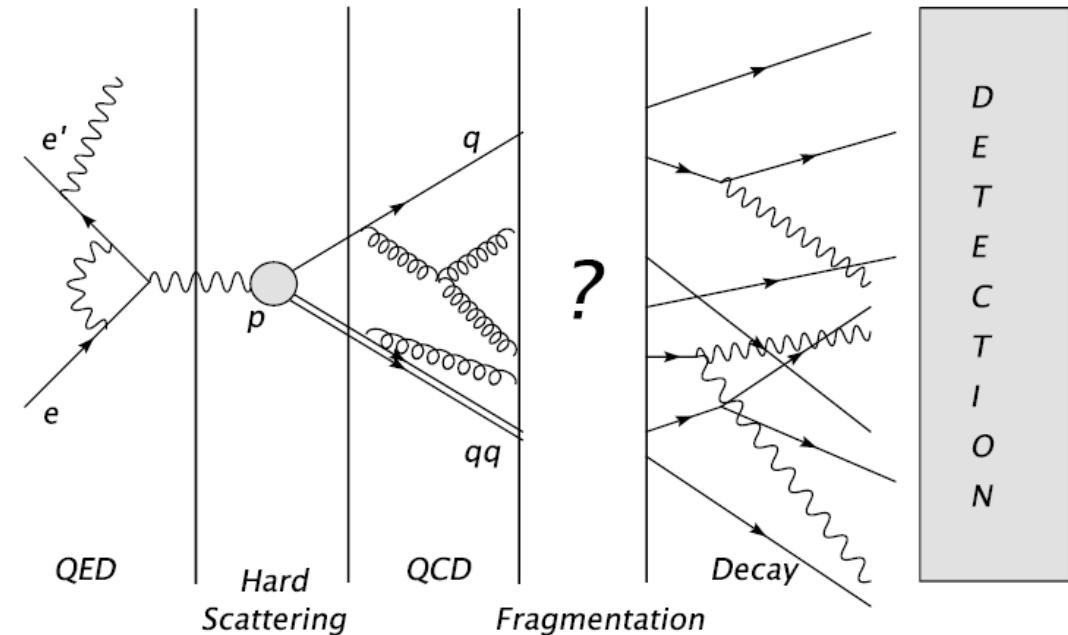
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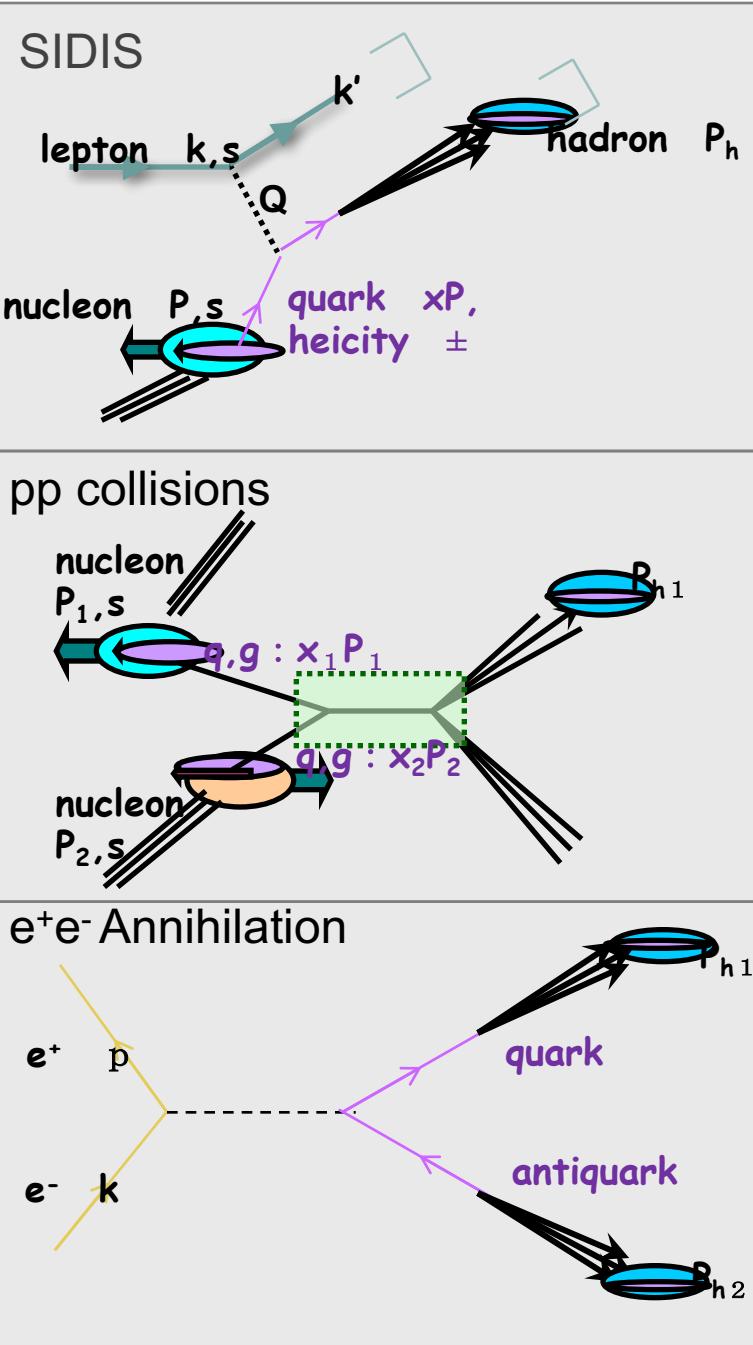
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Quark fragmentation

- Quarks and gluons are confined into hadrons through the hadronization process.
- Consequence of confinement.
- Non-perturbative process.
- In factorized QCD: the hadronization process is described/parameterized using the **Fragmentation Functions**.
- **Field, Feynman (1977)**: Fragmentation functions encode the information on how partons produced in hard-scattering processes are turned into an observed colorless hadronic bound final-state. [PRD 15 (1977) 2590]
- Complementary to the study of nucleon structure, **Parton distribution functions** (PDFs). In pp/SIDIS, PDFs and FFs are convoluted. FFs are needed to extract nucleon structure.



Access to FFs



- **SIDIS:**

$$\sigma^h(x, z, Q^2, P_{h\perp}) \propto \sum_q e_q^2 q(x, k_t, Q^2) D_{1,q}^h(z, p_t, Q^2)$$

- Relies on unpol PDFs
- Parton momentum known at LO
- Transverse momenta convoluted between FF and PDF

- **pp:**

$$\sigma^h(P_T) \propto \int_{x_1, x_2, z} \sum_{a, a' \in q, g} f_a(x_1) \otimes f_{a'}(x_2) \otimes \sigma_{aa'} \otimes D_{1,q}^h(z)$$

- Relies on unpol PDFs
- leading access to gluon FF
- Parton momenta not directly known

- **e⁺e⁻:**

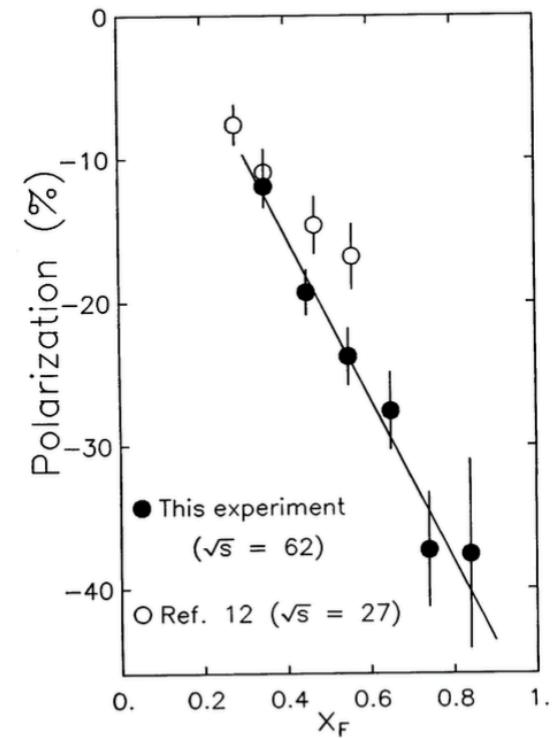
$$\sigma^h(z, Q^2, p_t) \propto \sum_q e_q^2 (D_{1,q}^h(z, p_t, Q^2) + D_{1,\bar{q}}^h(z, p_t, Q^2))$$

- No PDFs necessary
- Clean initial state, parton momentum known at LO
- Flavor structure not directly accessible



Polarized Hyperon Production

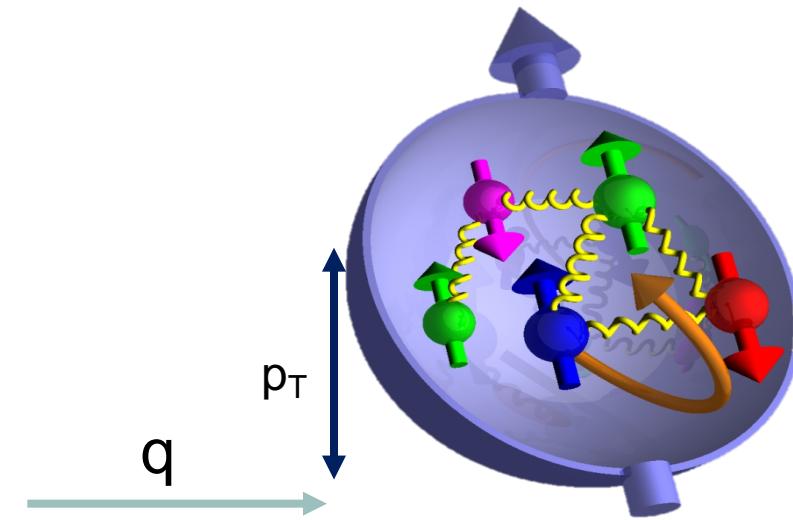
- Large Λ transverse polarization was observed in unpolarized pp collision years ago. **PRL36, 1113 (1976); PRL41, 607 (1978)**
- In the absence of beam polarization, the observed transverse polarization is expected arising during the hadronization process.
- The corresponding **Polarizing FF**, $D_{1T}^\perp(z, p_\perp^2)$. It describes an unpolarized quark fragmenting into a transversely polarized hadron.
- Question: is the hadronization the (only) effect?
- A measurement of the transverse polarization of in **e+e- annihilation** could indicate the extent to which final-state interactions contribute to the observed transverse polarization.
- OPAL experiment at LEP (**e+e-**) has been looking at transverse Λ polarization, no significant signal was observed. Statistical uncertainties are large.
 $x_F = p_L / \max p_L \sim_{LO} x_1 - x_2 \sim_{forward} x_1$
Eur. Phys. J. C2, 49 (1998)



ISR data
(**Phys.Lett. B185 (1987) 209**)

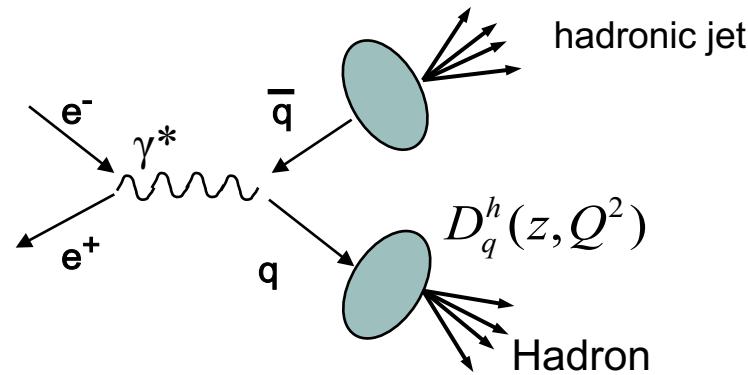
Hyperon production as a tool to study baryon spin structure

- Λ polarization allows to study spin-orbit correlation of quarks inside Baryon → counterpart of the **Sivers parton distribution** function (k_T dependence of quark distributions in transversely polarized proton)
- Check transverse polarization depending on p_T
- A non-vanishing **Polarizing FF** D_{1T}^\perp could help to shed light on the spin structure of the Λ , especially about the quark orbital angular momentum, a missing part of the spin puzzle of the nucleon.
- Λ is similar with proton, but it is **self-analyzing**, angular distribution of its decay daughters encoded its polarization information.
- Polarizing FF is chiral-even, has been proposed as a unique test of universality. **PRL105,202001 (2010)**

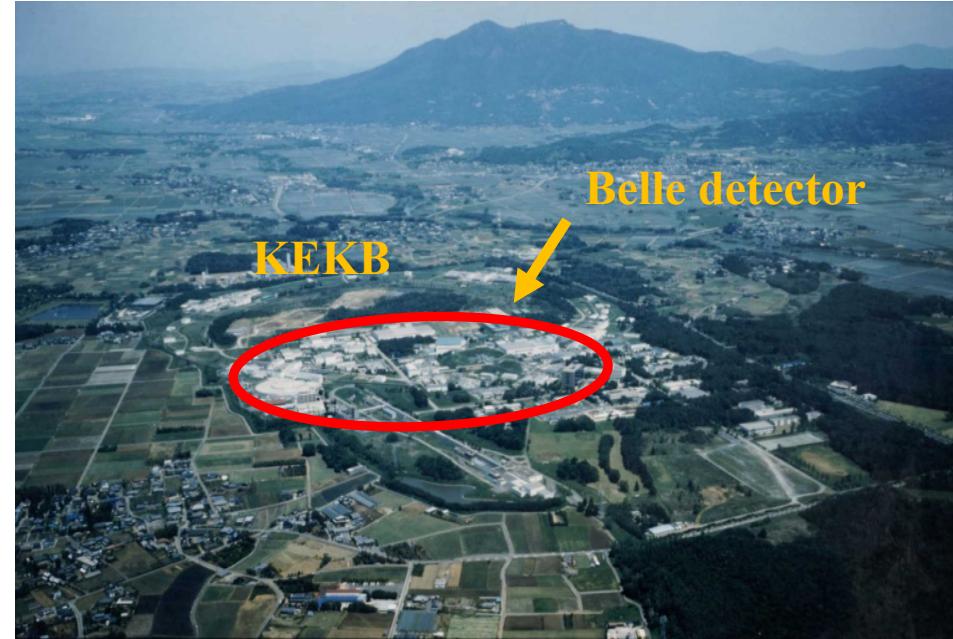


Easiest Process to access FFs

electron-positron collisions

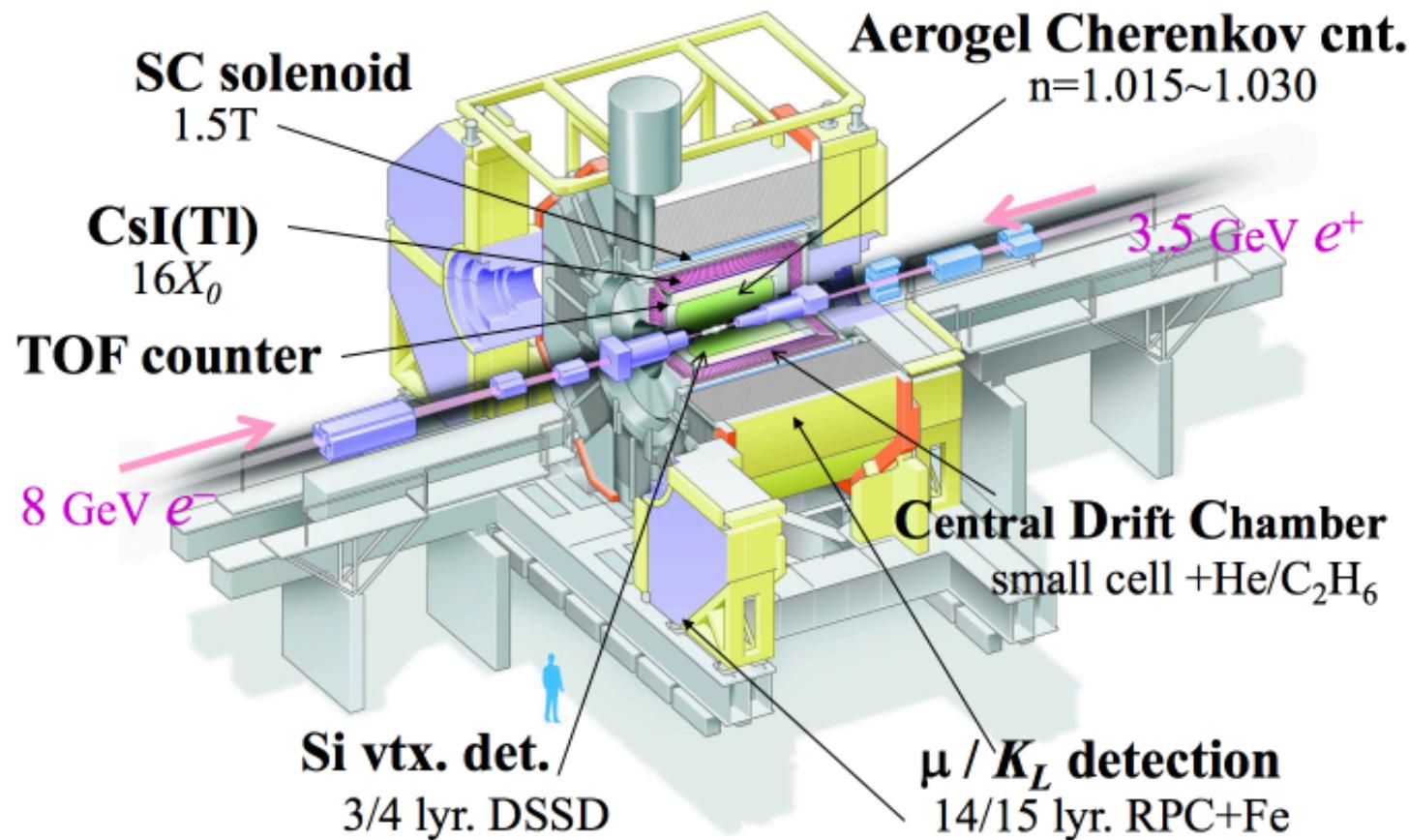


- B factories
 - Large integrated luminosity!
 - close in energy to SIDIS (100 GeV 2 vs 2-3 GeV 2)



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Belle detector



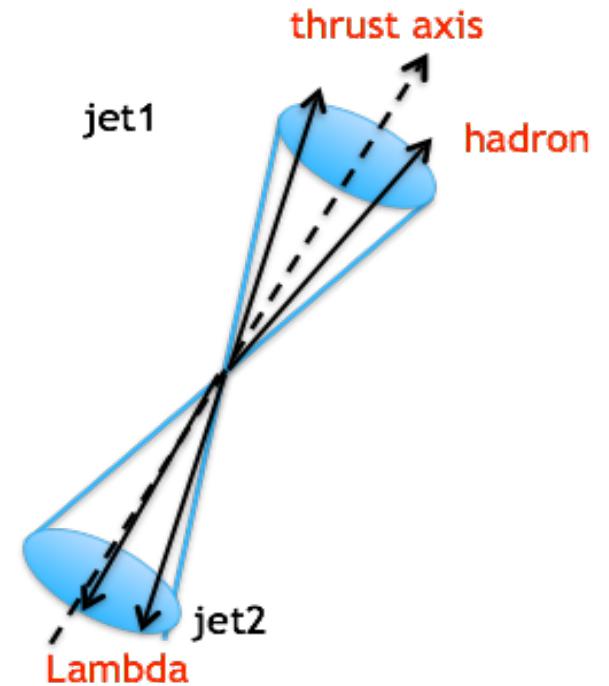
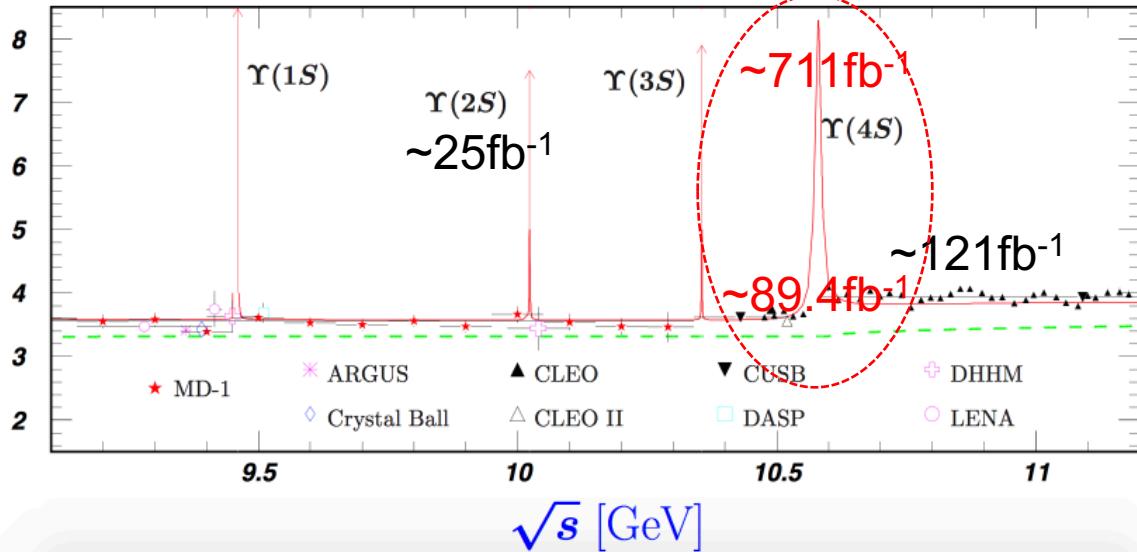
Nucl. Instrum. Meth. A479, 117(2002)

- e+e- annihilation, the easiest/cleanest process to access FFs

- Asymmetric collider: e^+ (3.5 GeV) e^- (8 GeV)
- $\sqrt{s} = 10.58 \text{ GeV}$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow \gamma(4S) \rightarrow B\bar{B}$
- $\sqrt{s} = 10.52 \text{ GeV}$, $e^+e^- \rightarrow q\bar{q}$ (u,d,s,c) ‘continuum’
- Ideal detector for high precision measurements.
- High acceptance ($17^\circ \leq \theta \leq 150^\circ$), high resolution, good tracking (>95%), PID efficiency (Kaon ~85%).

Data set

- Data sets: $\sim 800.4 \text{ fb}^{-1}$ at or near $\sqrt{s} \sim 10.58 \text{ GeV}$

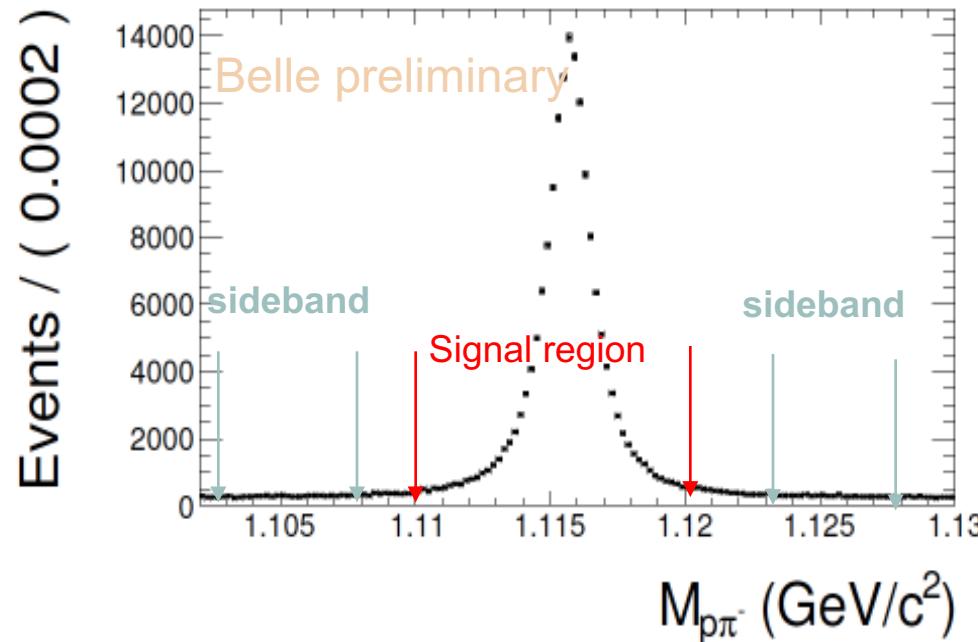


- Thrust axis \hat{T} is the axis which maximizes the sum of all final particles' projection.
- Thrust value $T > 0.8$ to select back-to-back event topology and suppress B decays to less than 1%.
- Thrust axis is the good approximation of the true $q\bar{q}$ direction but with detector resolution involved.



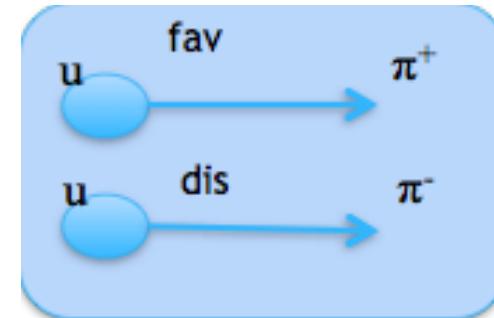
$$T = \text{Max}\left[\frac{\sum_h |\mathbf{P}_h^{\text{CMS}} \cdot \hat{\mathbf{T}}|}{\sum_h |\mathbf{P}_h^{\text{CMS}}|}\right]$$

Λ reconstruction



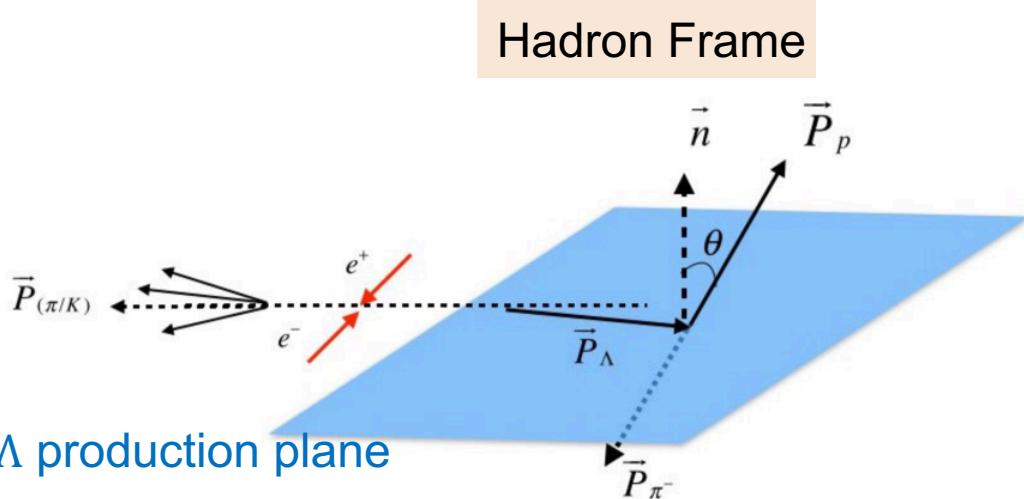
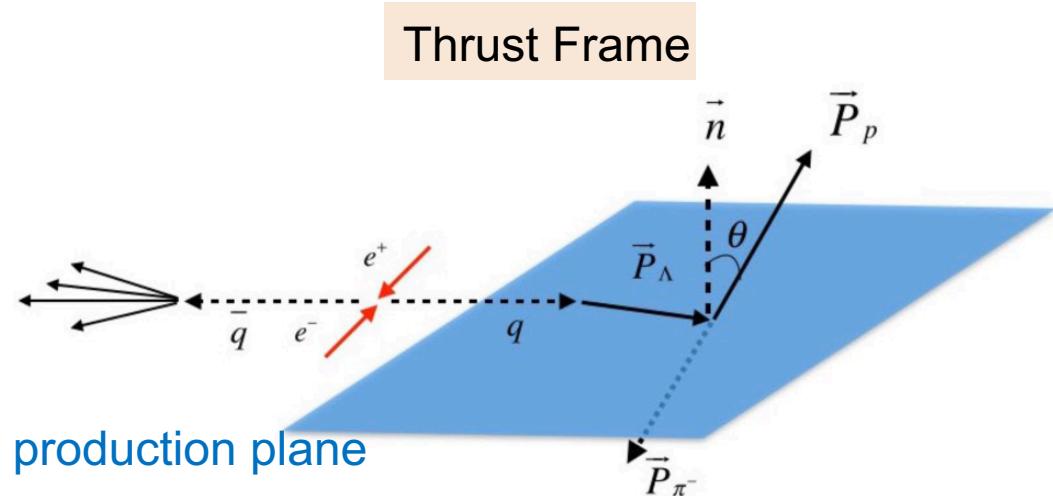
flavor tag!

$\Lambda(\text{uds})$; $\pi^+(\text{u}\bar{d})$; $K^+(\text{u}\bar{s})$



- Signal process $\Lambda \rightarrow p\pi^- (\bar{\Lambda} \rightarrow \bar{p} \pi^+)$. Clear Λ peak.
- Sideband subtraction will be applied.
- There might be cancellation between different quark (u,d,s) contributions.
- By considering light hadron (K^\pm, π^\pm) in the opposite hemisphere, one can emphasize or suppress one kind of flavor which contributes to $\Lambda(\bar{\Lambda})$.
- In process $e^+e^- \rightarrow \Lambda + \pi^- + X$, the dominate process is expected as: u quark going to Λ and anti-u going to π^- .

Reference frames



- The reference vector \hat{n} is perpendicular to the Λ production plane.
- The $z_\Lambda = 2E_\Lambda/\sqrt{s}$, is the **fractional energy** carried by the Λ . The p_t is defined as the **transverse momentum** of Λ relative to thrust axis in thrust frame and to hadron axis in hadron frame.
- Give a polarization of P , the yield of the events follow:

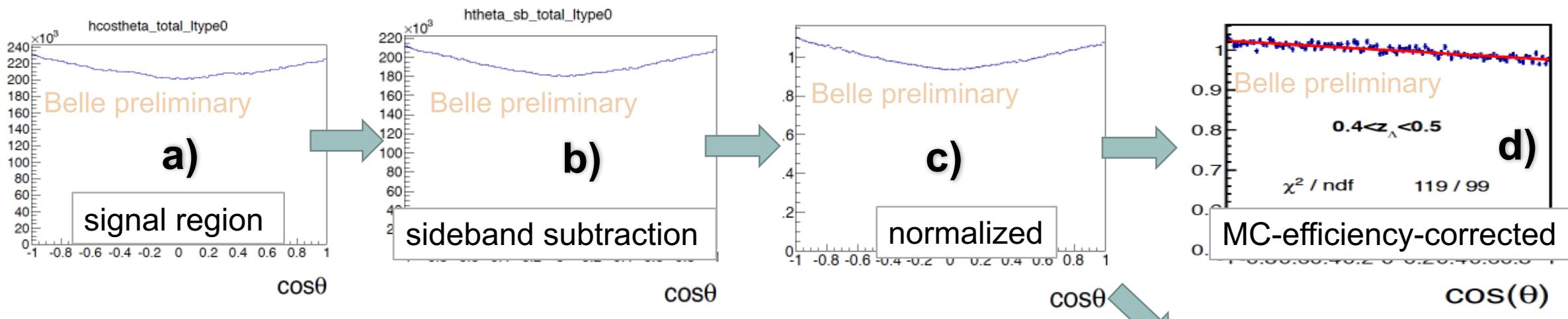
$$\frac{1}{N} \frac{dN}{dcos\theta} = 1 + \alpha P \cos\theta$$

- where α is the decay parameter: $\alpha_+ = 0.642 \pm 0.013$ for Λ and $\alpha_- = -0.71 \pm 0.08$ for $\bar{\Lambda}$ (PDG).

kinematic variables

$\Lambda + X$	variables	thrust frame	hadron frame
		z_Λ, p_t	
$\Lambda + h + X$	variables	z_Λ, z_h, p_t	z_Λ, z_h, p_t

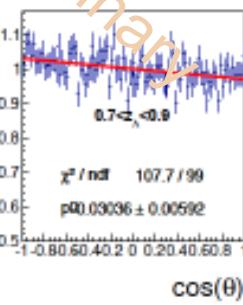
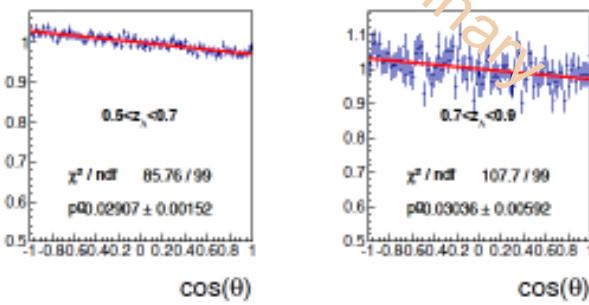
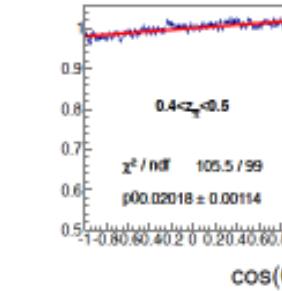
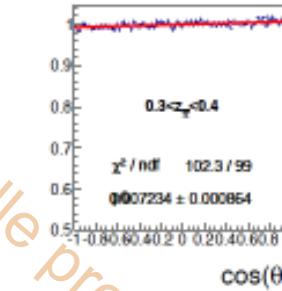
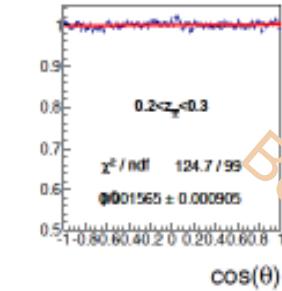
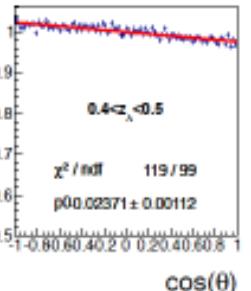
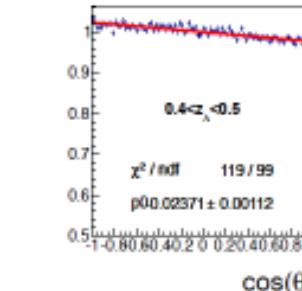
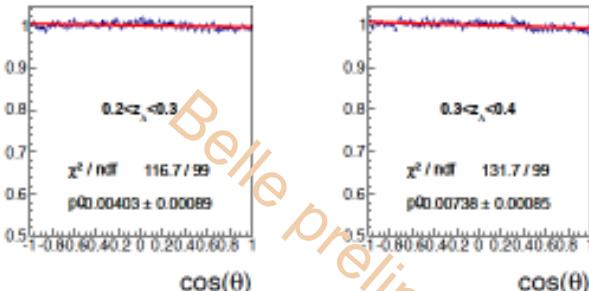
Analysis flow



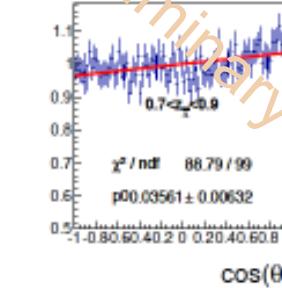
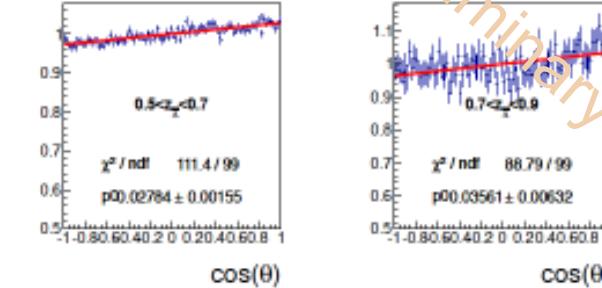
- $\cos\theta$ distribution in Λ signal region **a)** is subtracted by that in sideband region → **b)**
- Normalized by itself, as shown in **c)**.
- The shape **c)** is divided by the corresponding shape from MC, so that we obtain the efficiency-corrected curve **d)**.
- Or **c)** shape of Λ events is divided by that from anti- Λ events if we assume efficiency is independent on charge, that is **e)**, this is called data ratios.
- We fit **d)** and **e)** to get the polarization of interest.

Fits and polarization extraction

z_Λ binning [0.2,0.3,0.4,0.5,0.7,0.9]



Fit plots for
 $\Lambda + X$.



Fit plots for
 $\bar{\Lambda} + X$.

- Clear slope can be seen in the $\cos\theta$ distributions, opposite slope for Λ and anti- Λ .
- Fit to the $\cos\theta$ distributions with the simple function $1 + p_0 \cos\theta$.
- The polarization is obtained from: p_0/α .

Fits to Data Ratio

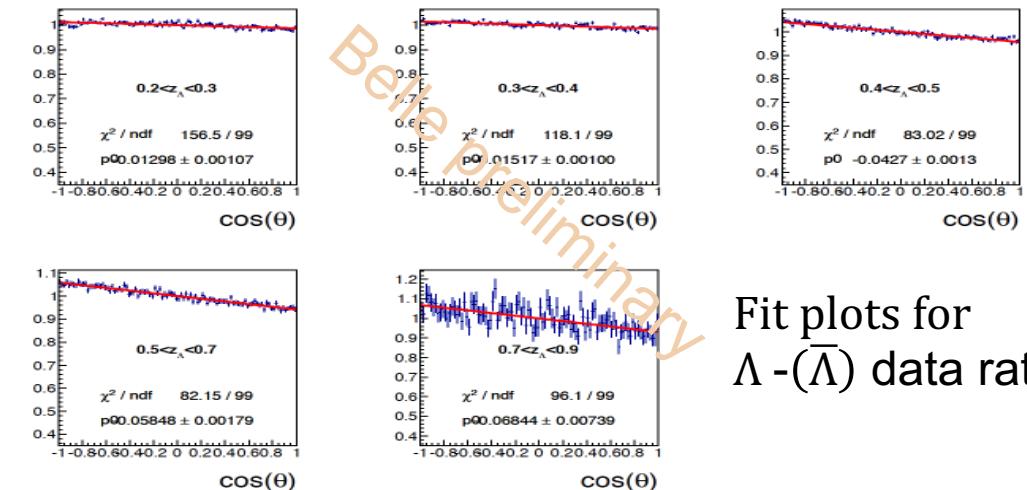
- In data ratios, the slope on the $\cos\theta$ distributions are about two times larger than that in MC-corrected ratios, the $(\alpha_+ - \alpha_-)$ is also about times larger than $\alpha_+(\alpha_-)$.

$$\frac{1 + \alpha_+ P}{1 + \alpha_- P}$$

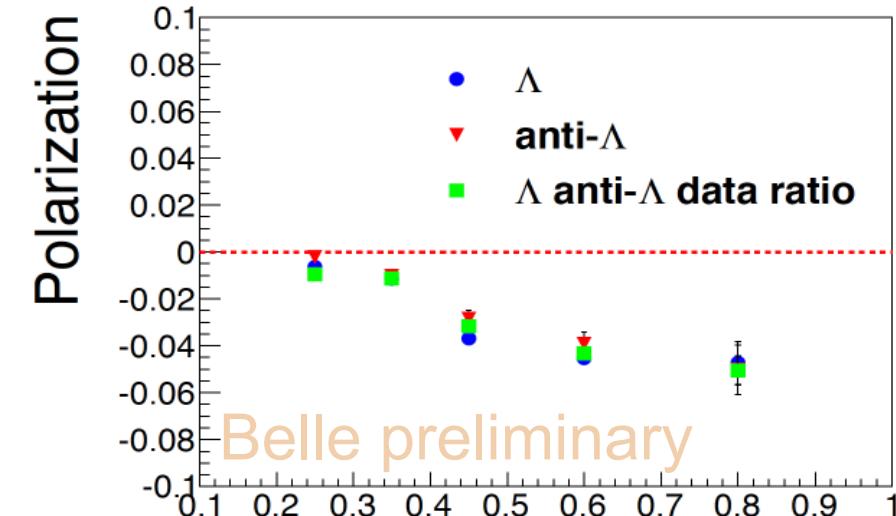
$$\approx 1 + (\alpha_+ - \alpha_-)P$$

- In the data ratio, polarization is obtained via $p_0/(\alpha_+ - \alpha_-)$.
- Results from MC-corrected ratio and data ratio are basically consistent with each other.
- Nonzero polarization** can be seen, the magnitude grows with increasing fractional energy z_Λ , approaches $\sim 5\%$.

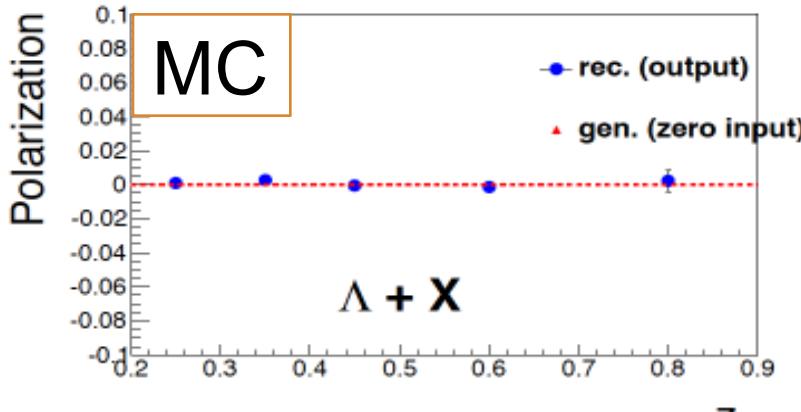
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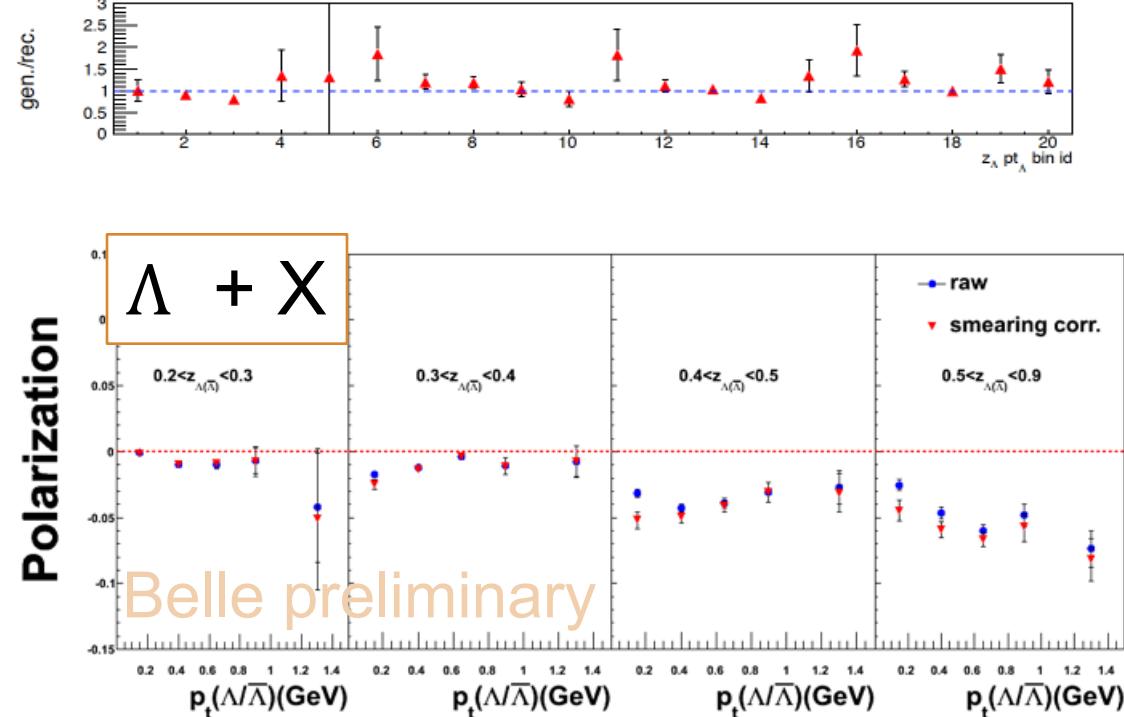
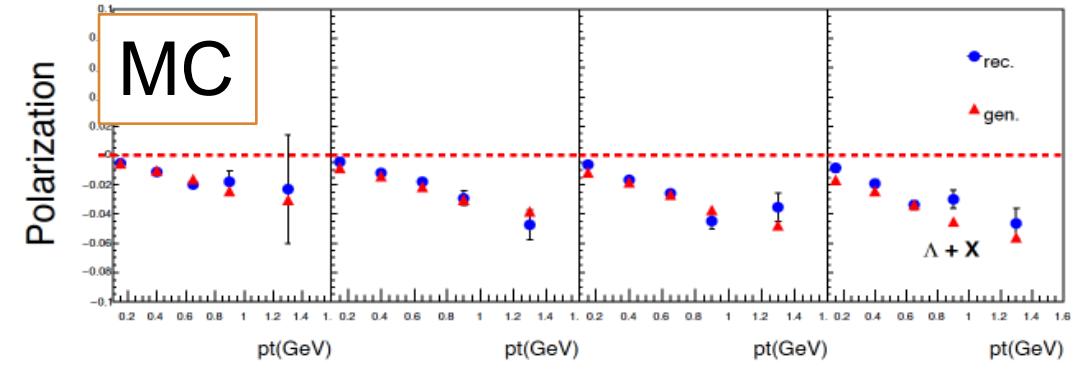
Belle preliminary
Fit plots for
 $\Lambda - (\bar{\Lambda})$ data ratio.



MC validation & Smearing correction

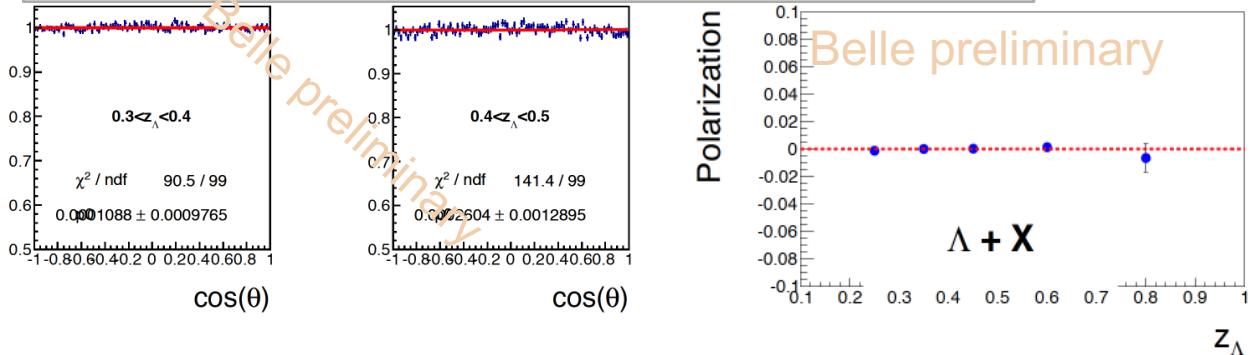


- Zero polarization is observed in MC, as expected.
- Smearing effects caused by the detector acceptance and resolution are estimated using the weighted-MC with nonzero polarization input.
- In thrust frame, the polarization is found underestimated in reconstruction, correction factors ranges 1.0-1.3 depends on the $[z, p_t]$.
- In hadron frame, the polarization observed in reconstruction is consistent with input. No need for correction.



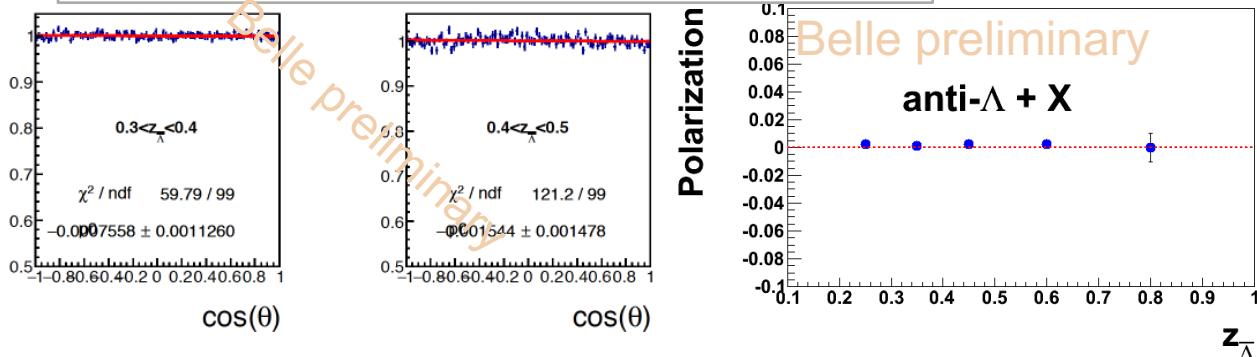
Systematics

fake angle θ in production plane



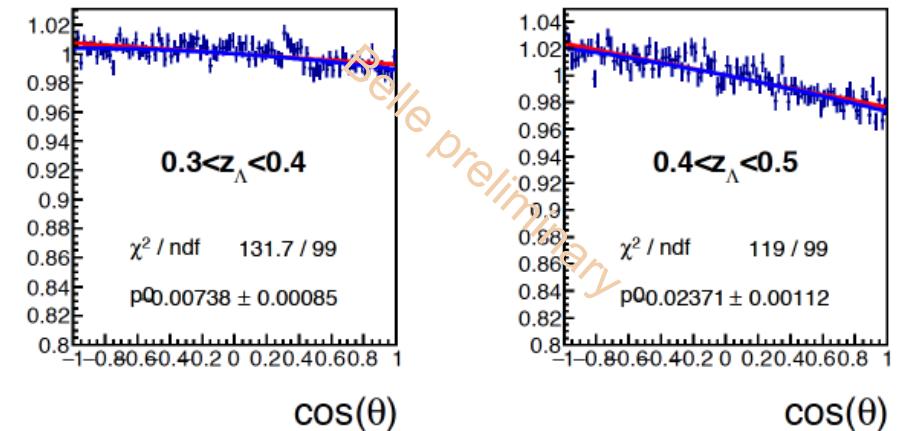
- Change the reference vector \hat{n} to be in the Λ production plane. But still normal to \vec{p}_Λ .

Mixed events, false Λ



- Combine a proton in one event and pion in the other event to form a false Λ .

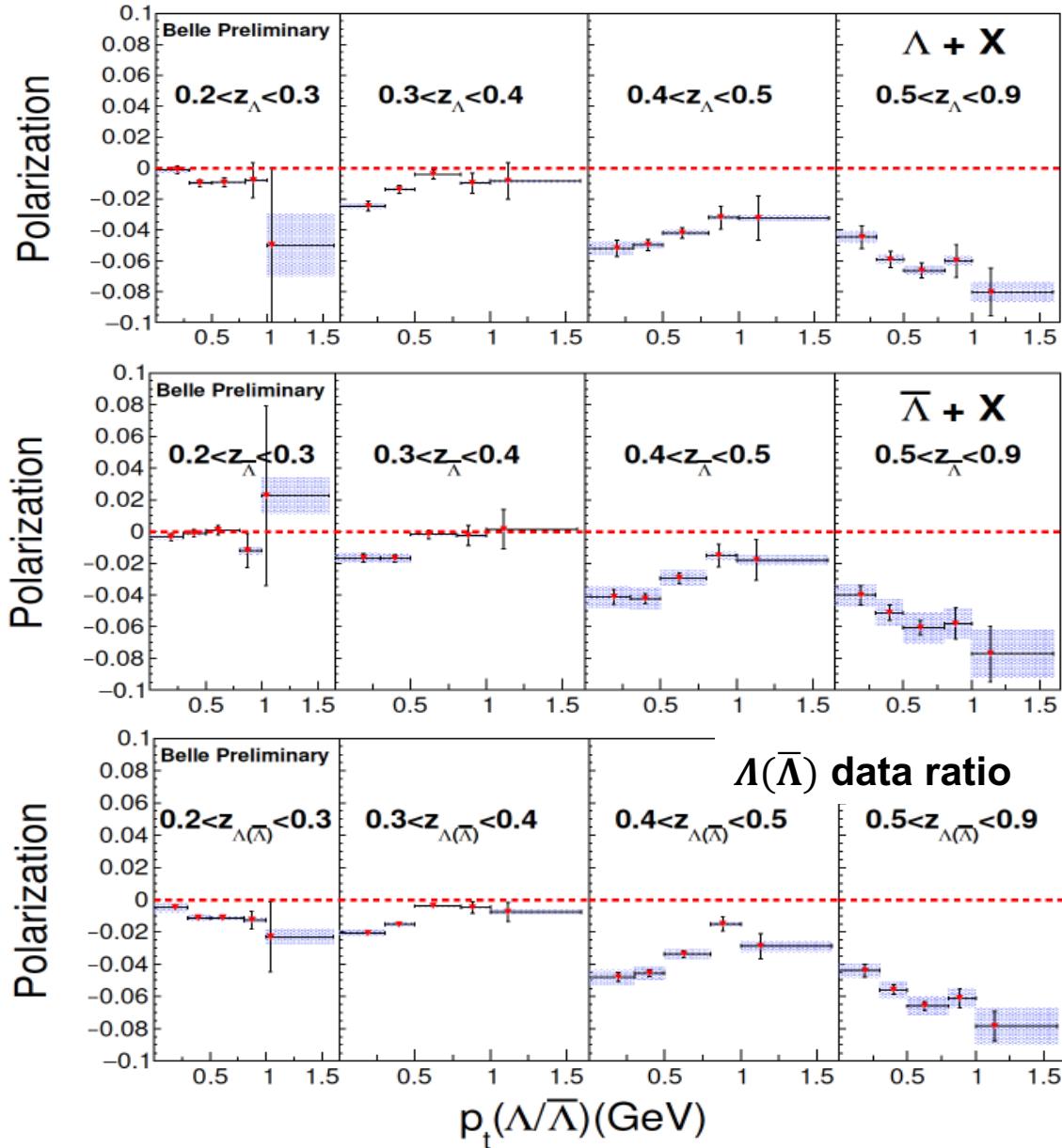
Check on the fit function



- The second order term was added in the fit function $1 + p_0 \cos \theta + p_1 \cos^2 \theta$

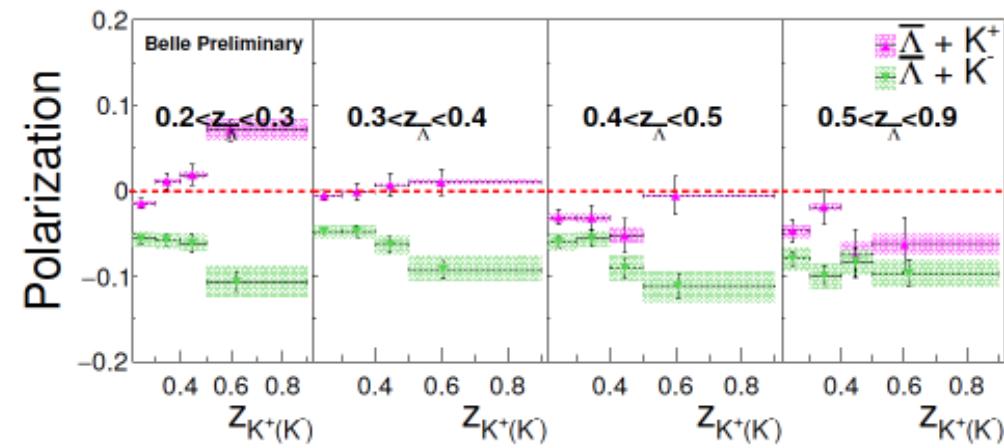
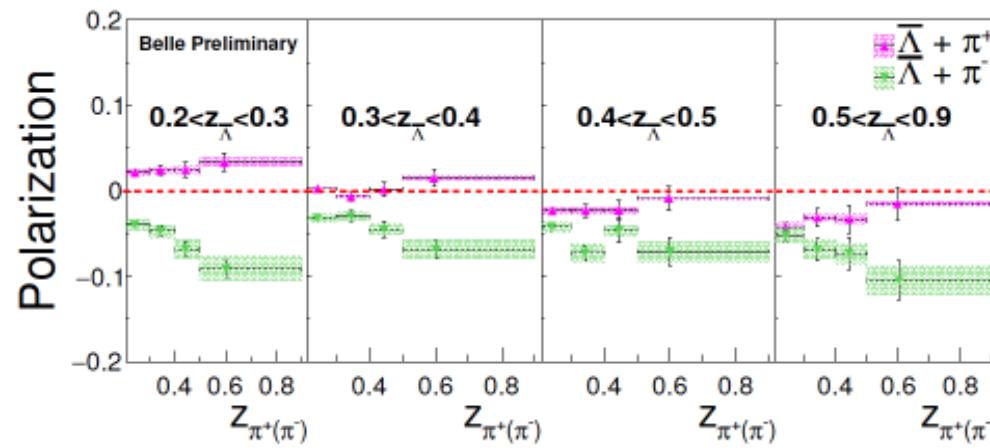
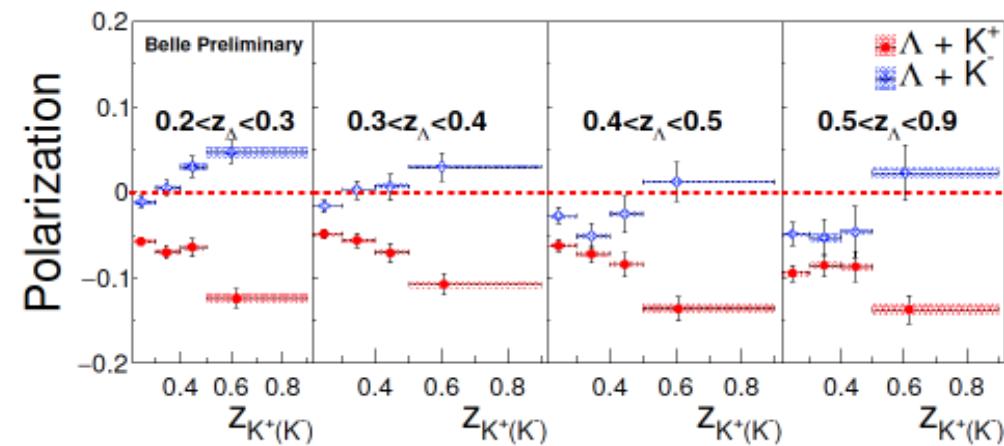
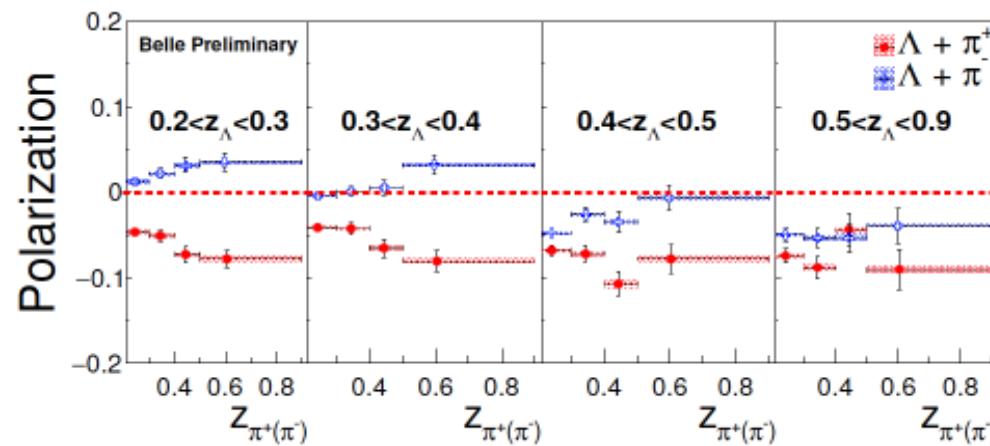
- Besides, uncertainties from smearing correction factors and sideband subtractions are included in systematics errors.
- Uncertainties of decay parameters are assigned as systematic errors.

Results in thrust frame vs. (z, p_t)



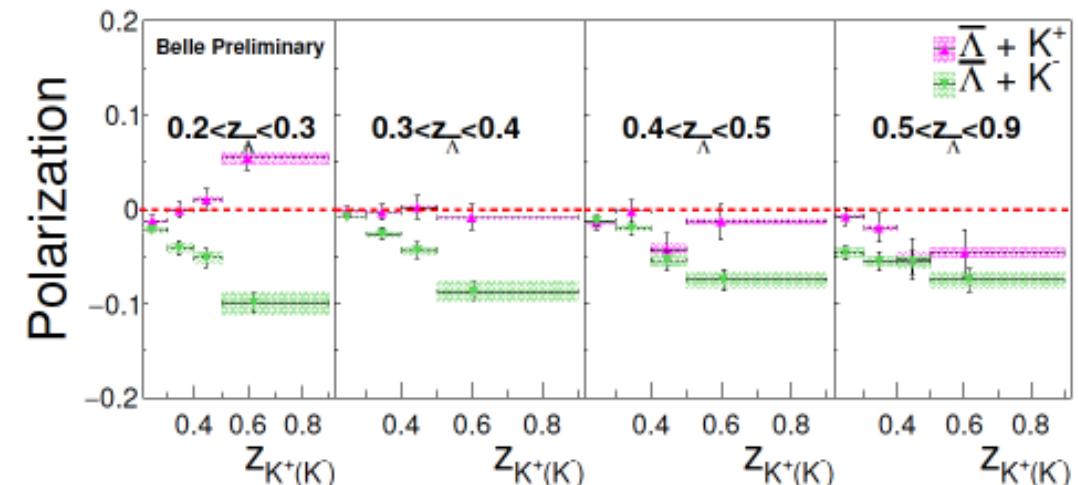
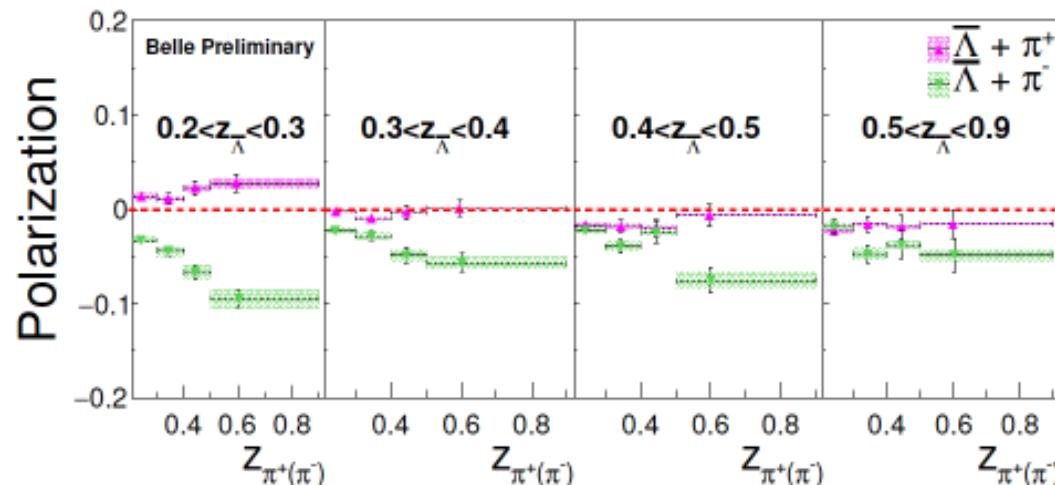
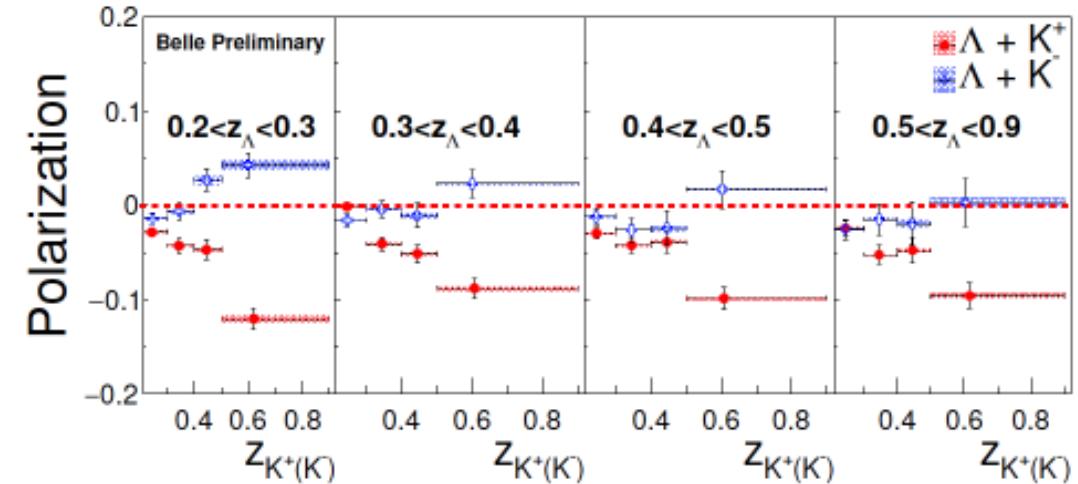
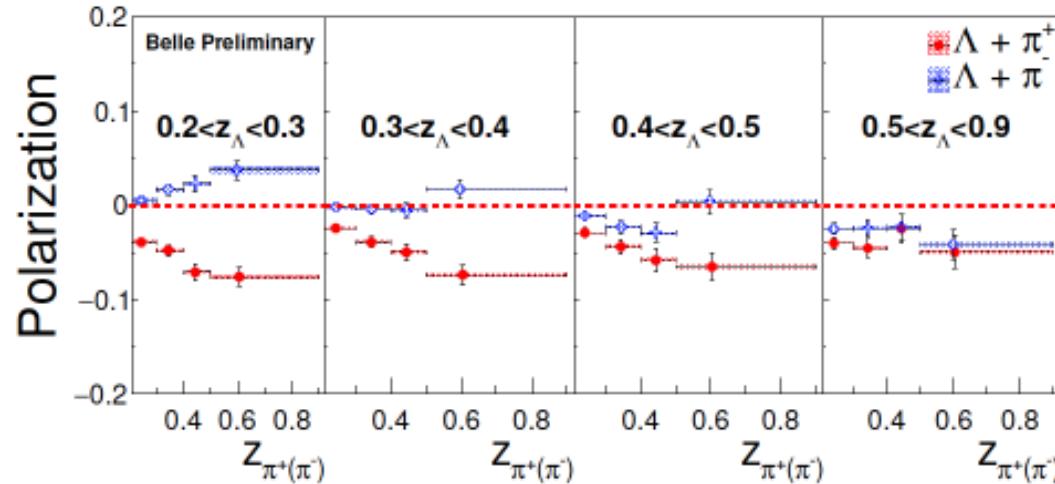
- Four z bins and five p_t bins are applied:
 $z_\Lambda = [0.2, 0.3, 0.4, 0.5, 0.9]$;
 $p_t = [0.0, 0.3, 0.5, 0.8, 1.0, 1.6] \text{ GeV}$
- Error bars are statistical uncertainties and shaded areas show the systematic uncertainties.
- Nonzero polarization** was observed. Interesting shape as a function of (z_Λ, p_t) .
- The polarization rises with higher p_t in the lowest z_Λ and highest z_Λ bin. But the dependence seems reverse in the two intermediate z_Λ bins.
- Results are consistent between Λ and $(\bar{\Lambda})$ and $\Lambda - (\bar{\Lambda})$ data ratio.

Results in thrust frame vs. (z_Λ, z_h)



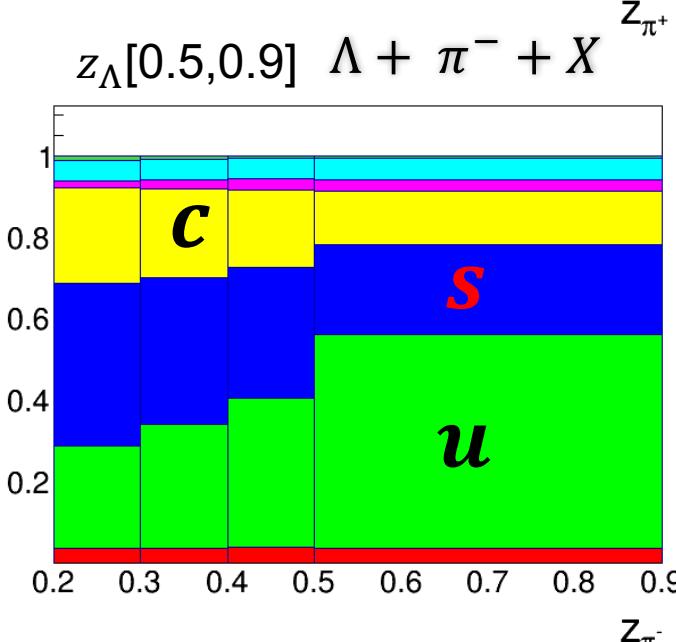
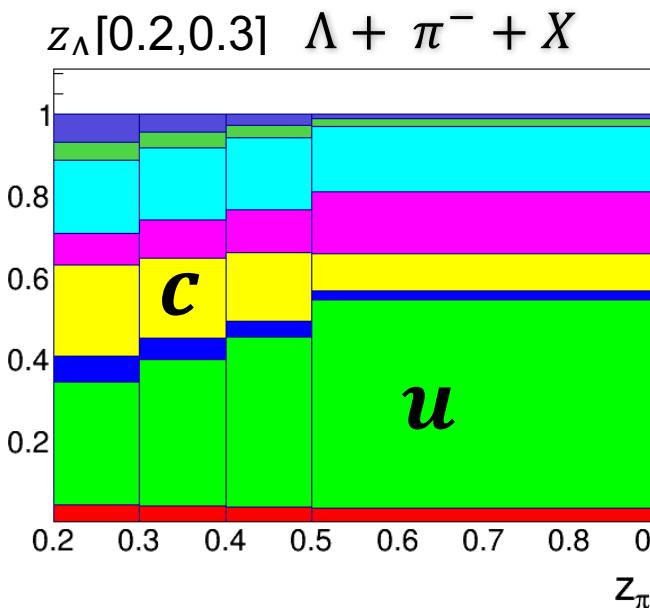
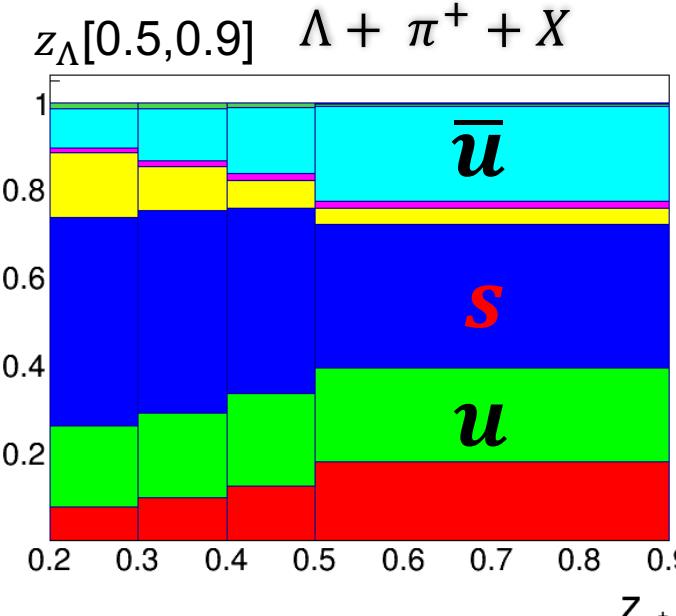
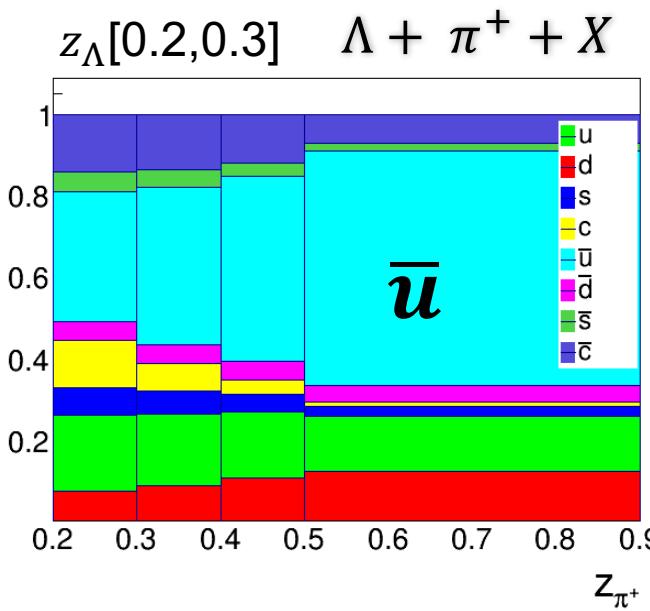
- At low z_Λ , polarization in $\Lambda + h^+$ and $\Lambda + h^-$ have opposite sign. The magnitude increases with higher z_h .
- At large z_Λ , the differences between $\Lambda + h^+$ and $\Lambda + h^-$ reduce. Small deviations can still be seen and depend on z_h .

Results in hadron frame vs. (z_Λ, z_h)



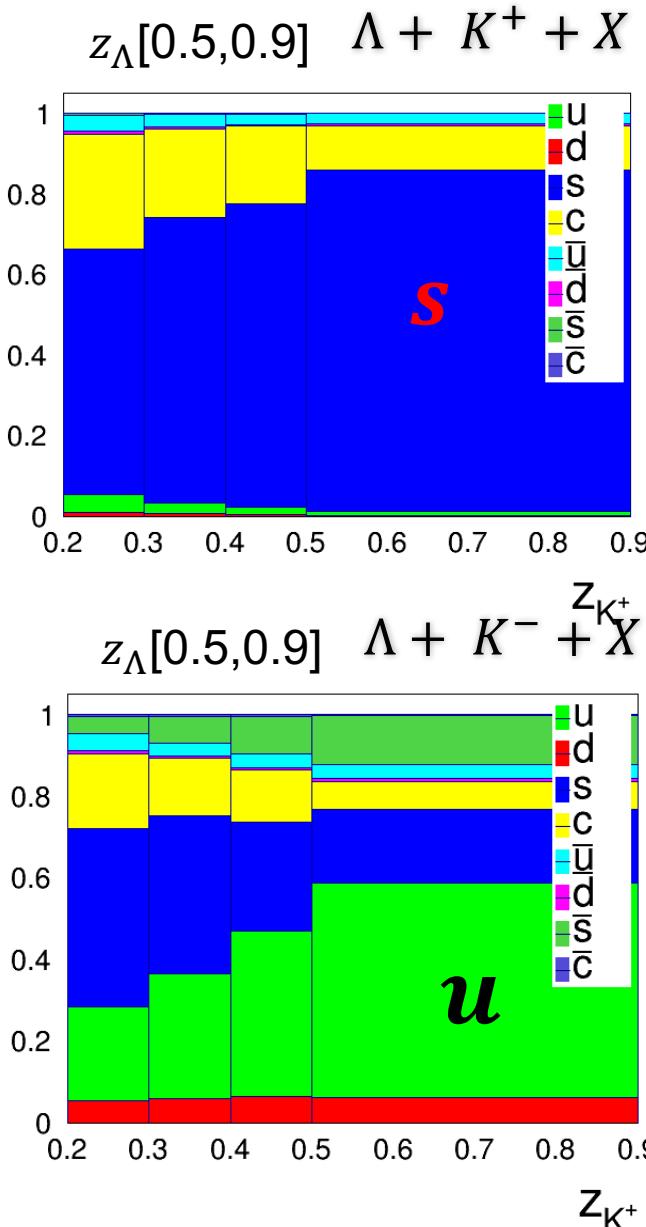
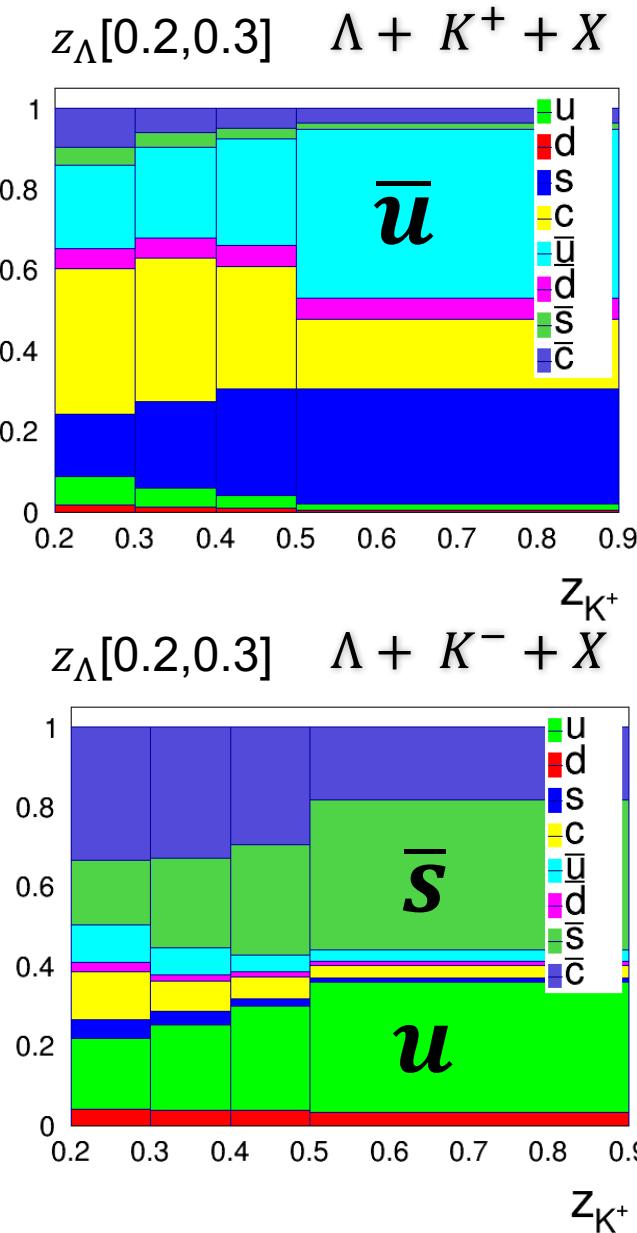
- Very similar results with that in the thrust frame.
- Results from charge-conjugate modes are consistent with each other.

Quark flavor tag by the light hadron



- An attempt to look at the flavor tag effect of the light hadron, based on MC. (Pythia6.2)
- The fractions of various quark flavors going to the Λ 's hemisphere are shown in different $[z_\Lambda \ z_h]$ region.
- In process $\Lambda + \pi^+ + X$, at low z_Λ , u quark is most likely carried away by π^+ . But at high z_Λ , the case is different. There is more s/u quark contribution.
- In process $\Lambda + \pi^- + X$, seems u quark is dominate, at high z_Λ , more s quark contribution.

Quark flavor tag by the Kaon



- In $\Lambda + K^+(u\bar{s}) + X$, at low z_Λ , there is anti-u quark contribution. At high z_Λ , s quark dominates.
- In $\Lambda + K^-(\bar{u}s) + X$, at low z_Λ , u/ \bar{s} dominate and at high z_Λ , s/u dominate.
- MC indicates that the tag of the quark flavors is more effective at low z_Λ and high z_h . It might explain why at low z_Λ and high z_h , polarization in $\Lambda + h^+$ and $\Lambda + h^-$ have opposite sign.
- Note that charm contribution is not excluded out.

Backgrounds

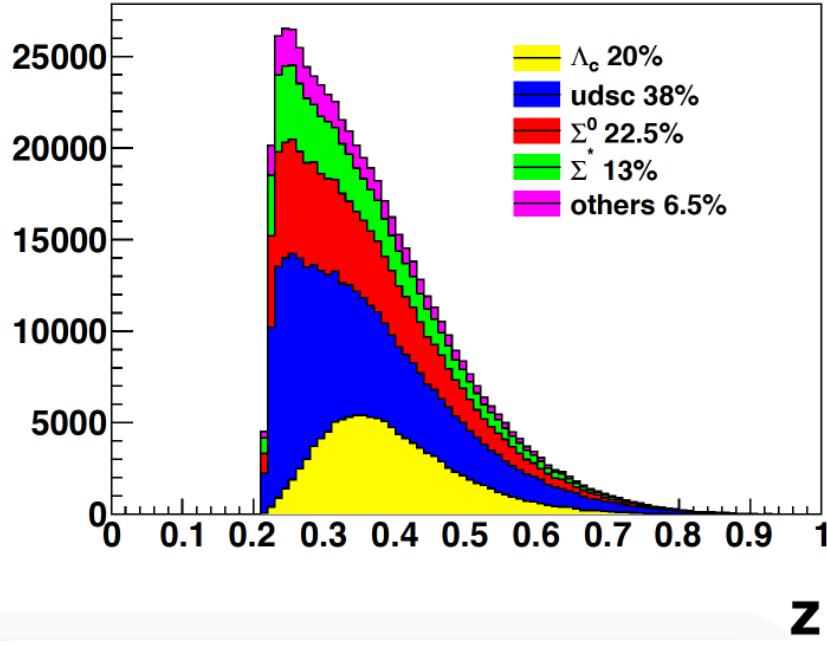


Table 2: The fraction of various sources of Λ in each z bin.

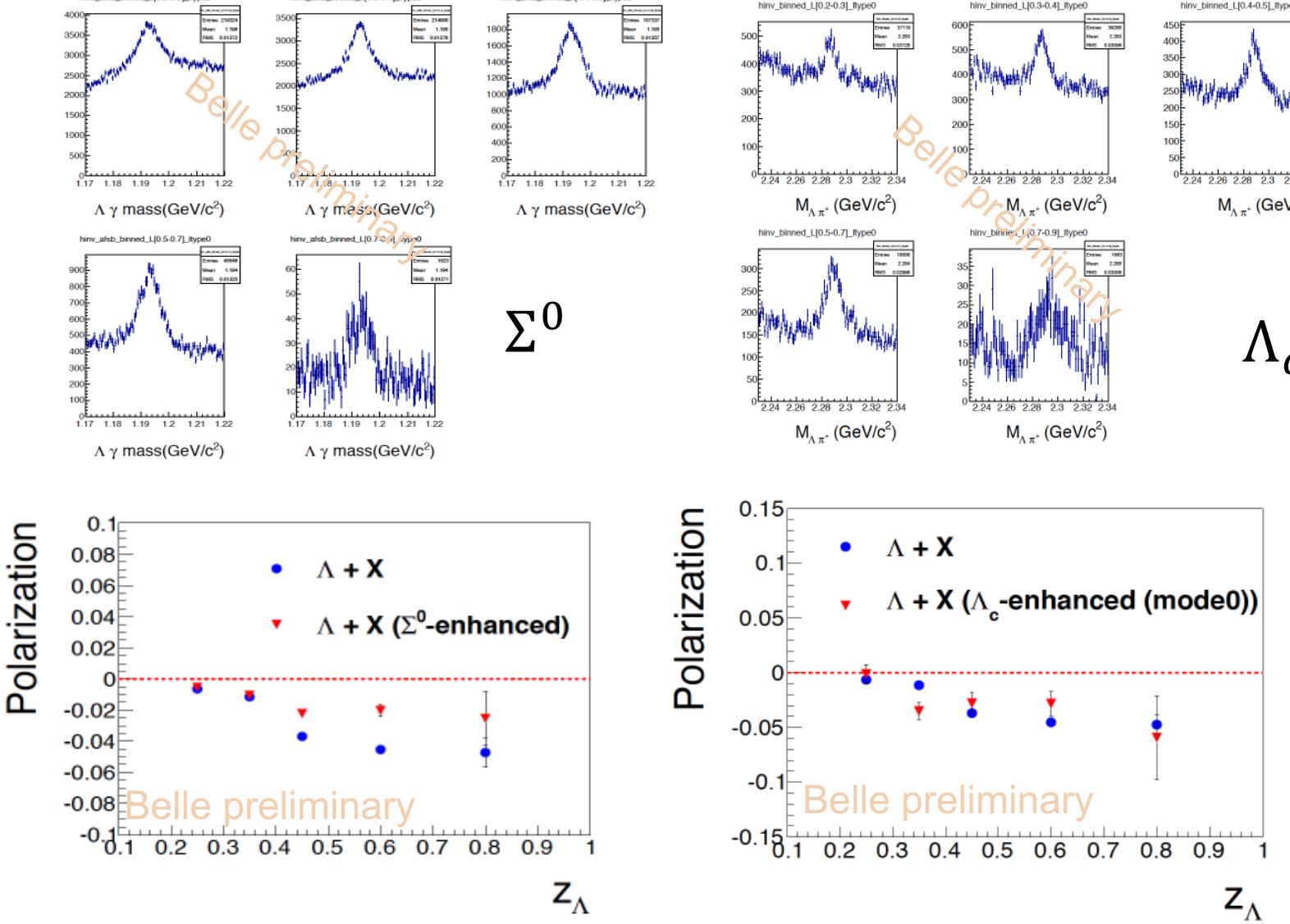
z bin	[0.2, 0.3]	[0.3, 0.4]	[0.4, 0.5]	[0.5, 0.7]	[0.7, 0.9]
$q\bar{q}$	45.0	33.8	32.3	38.7	57.4
Σ^0	23.5	21.9	21.9	21.8	18.3
Σ^*	15.0	12.3	12.4	12.7	10.2
Λ_c	9.0	25.9	27.6	21.1	9.8
others	7.5	6.1	5.8	5.7	4.2

- Non- Λ backgrounds are excluded out in the sideband subtraction.
- Σ^* decays to Λ strongly, is included in the signal process.
- Feed-down from Σ^0 (22.5%), Λ_c (20%) decays need to be understood.
- The measured polarization includes contribution from backgrounds:

$$P^{mea.} = (1 - \sum_i F_i) P^{true} + \sum_i F_i P_i,$$

- F_i is the fraction of component i , can be estimated from MC. P_i is the polarization of Λ in background component i .

Σ^0/Λ_c -enhanced sample



- The Σ^0 -enhanced ($\Sigma^0 \rightarrow \Lambda + \gamma$) ($\text{Br} \sim 100\%$). and Λ_c -enhanced($\Lambda_c \rightarrow \Lambda + \pi^+$) ($\text{Br} \sim 1.07\%$) data sets are selected and studied.
- The $\Lambda_c \rightarrow \Lambda + \pi^+$ was used as the representative of all $\Lambda_c \rightarrow \Lambda + X$. Not perfect.
- Smaller magnitude of polarization in the Σ^0 -enhanced sample.
- Λ_c -enhanced sample is consistent with inclusive Lambda within statistics.

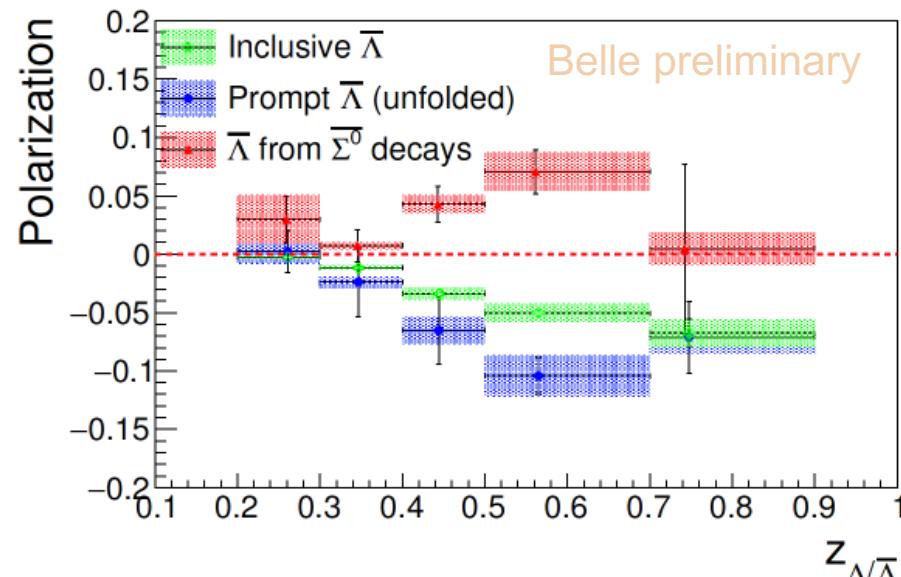
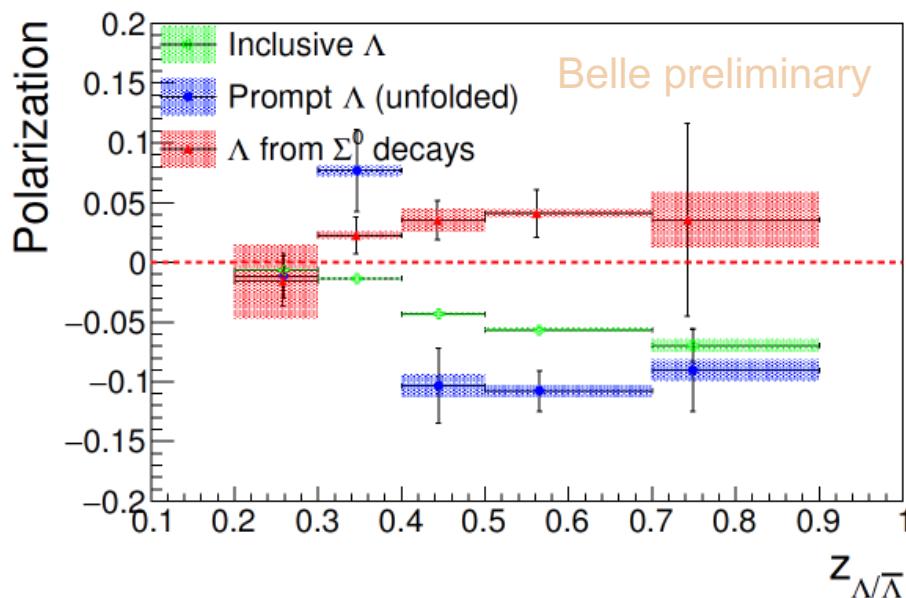
Backgrounds Unfolding

- We have three times of measurements and three unknown parameters.
- The unfolding was done according to:

$$P^{mea.} = (1 - \sum_i F_i) P^{true} + \sum_i F_i P_i,$$

- Polarization of Λ from Σ^0 decays is found has opposite sign with that of inclusive Λ .
- The spin transfer between Σ^0 and Λ is assumed as $-1/3$ in some models.

Phys. Rev. 109, 610 (1958); Phys.Lett.B303,350(1993)

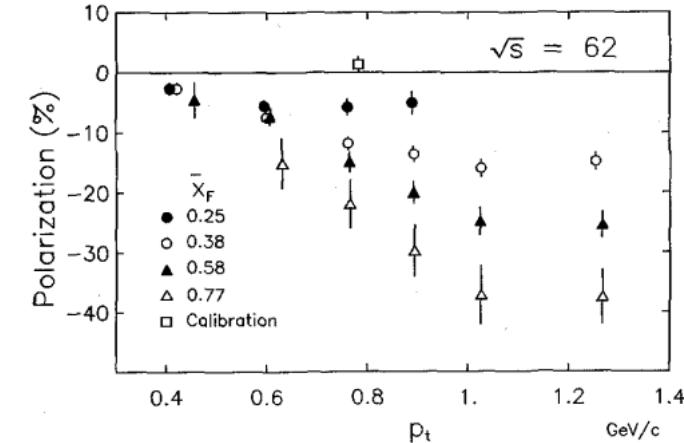


Discussion (1)

- In pp, the magnitude is quite large, especially at large x_F , approaches -40%.
- Comprehensive studies considering the kinematics (with theoretical calculations) might draw more serious conclusions.

Comparing to pp?

ISR data
([Phys.Lett. B185 \(1987\) 209](#))



Comparing to high energy ?

- OPAL: less statistics, larger energy @ Z_0 (90GeV)
- We see larger magnitude @ 10.6GeV.
- QCD evolution?

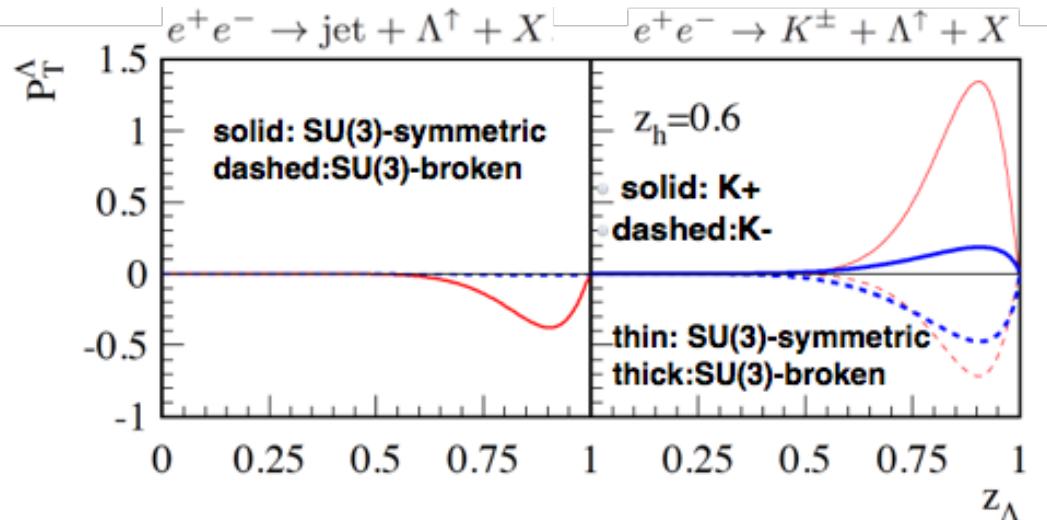
OPAL@ Z_0 , [Eur. Phys. J. C2, 49 \(1998\)](#)

p_T (GeV/c)	P_T^A (%)
< 0.3	$-1.8 \pm 3.1 \pm 1.0$
0.3 – 0.6	$0.4 \pm 1.8 \pm 0.7$
0.6 – 0.9	$1.0 \pm 1.9 \pm 0.7$
0.9 – 1.2	$0.8 \pm 2.2 \pm 0.6$
1.2 – 1.5	$0.0 \pm 2.7 \pm 0.6$
> 1.5	$1.8 \pm 1.6 \pm 0.5$
> 0.3	$0.9 \pm 0.9 \pm 0.3$
> 0.6	$1.1 \pm 1.0 \pm 0.4$

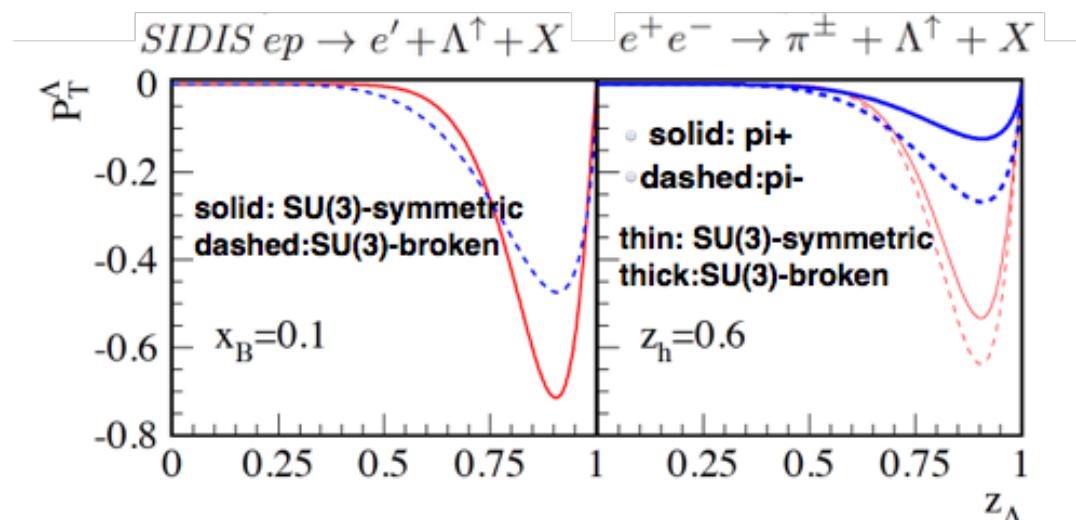
Discussion (2)

Comparing to theoretical prediction?

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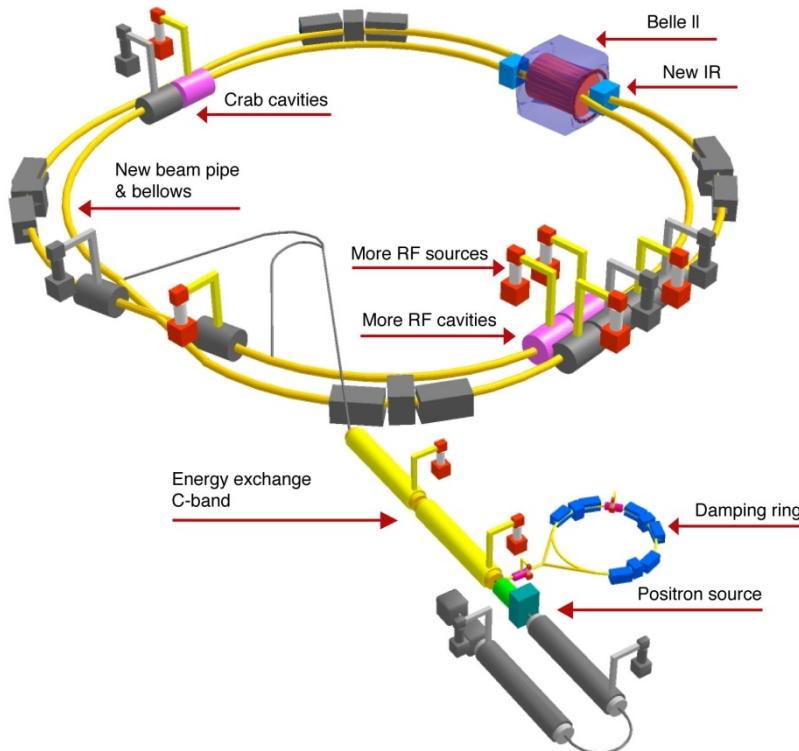


- In the prediction, u/d are assumed negative while s is positive.
- The data polarization results agree with negative sign predictions for $\Lambda + X$.
- For $\Lambda + \pi^{+/-} + X$, the magnitude in data is not as large as that in prediction.
- For $\Lambda + K^{+/-} + X$, in data we don't see clear opposite sign in K^+ and K^- at large z_Λ , z_h .
- There are large uncertainties in the predictions as said by authors. Important constrains from real data for the various flavor contribution/cancelation.
- Also be worth investigating in SIDIS.



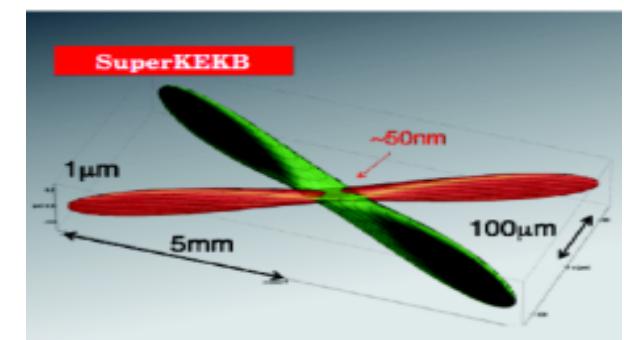
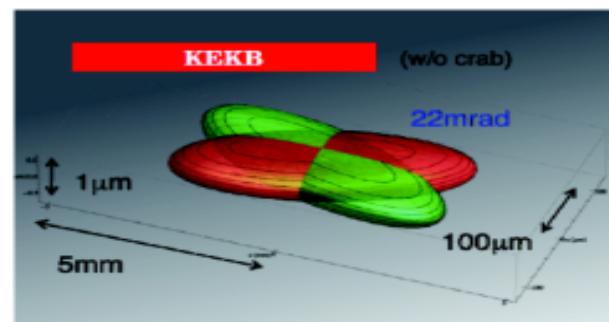
KEKB/Belle → SuperKEKB/Belle II

- Aim: super-high luminosity $\sim 8 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ ($\sim 40x$ KEK/Belle)
- Upgrades of Accelerator (Nano-beams + Higher currents) and Detector (Vertex detector, better PID system, modern DAQ, higher rates)
- Significant US contribution.



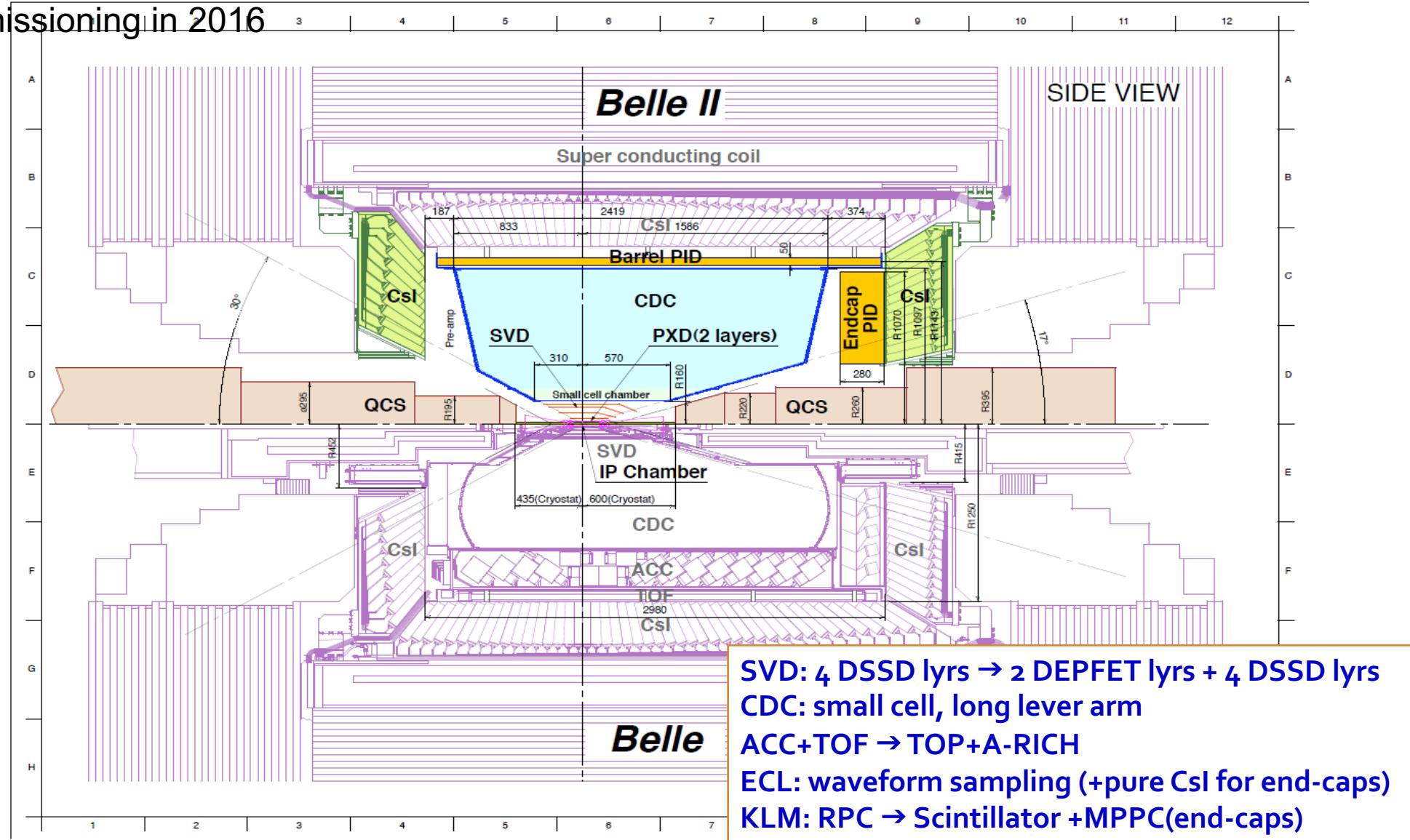
Target Luminosity

- $L_{\text{int}} > 50 \text{ ab}^{-1}$ by 2020s (50x Belle)
- $L_{\text{peak}} = 8 \times 10^{35} \text{ cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$ (40x KEKB)



Belle II Detector (in comparison with Belle)

Start of commissioning in 2016

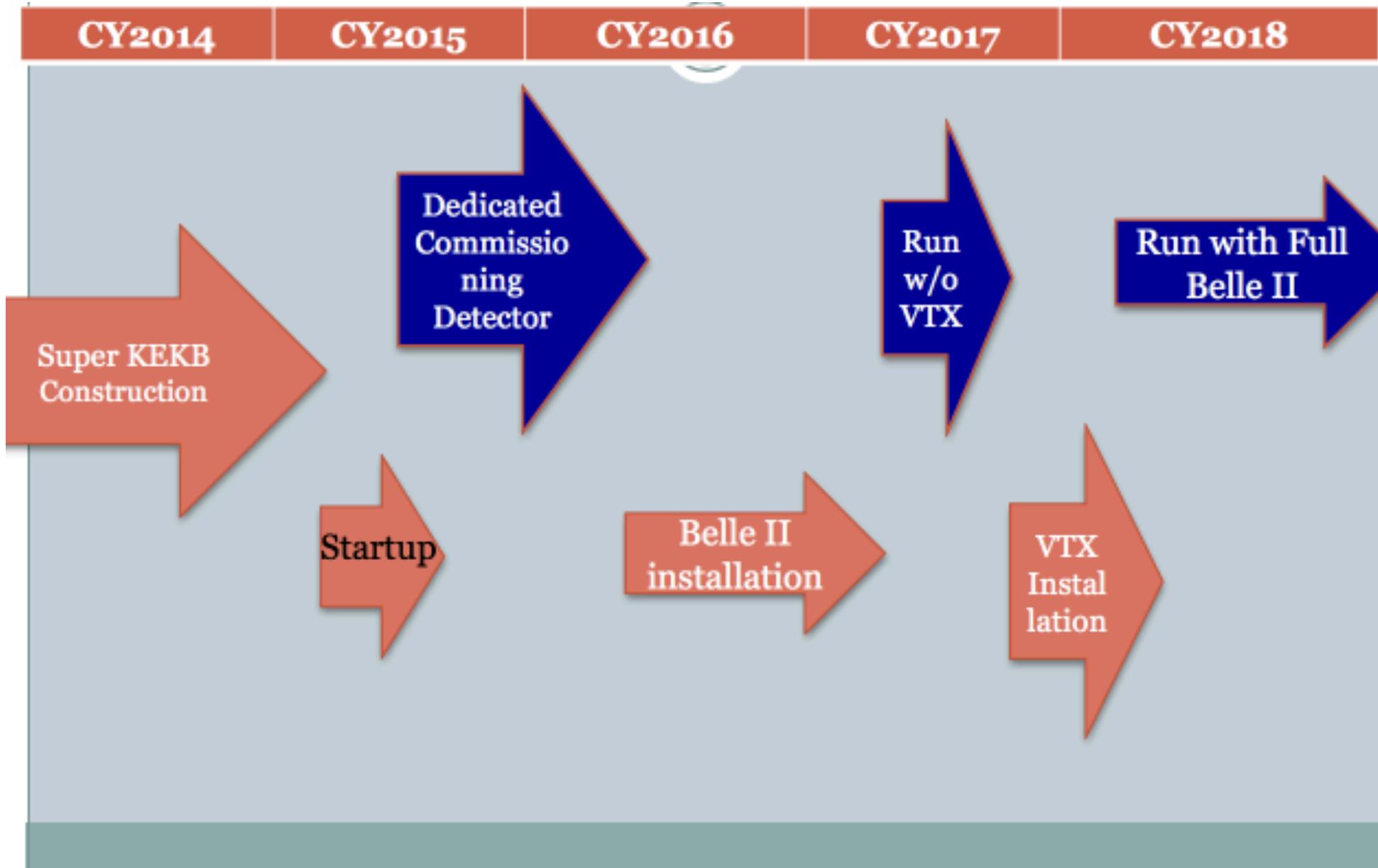


QCD studies at Belle II

- Hadronization studies in transverse momentum-spin correlations
(Λ)/Fragmentation functions
- Precision studies of fragmentation functions needed for Jlab@12GeV program
 - much more statistics, better precision
 - better hadron (K/π) identification performance
 - better charm suppression/corrections
- Precision study of local strong parity violation to probe the QCD vacuum.
- More others, also important
 - New physics beyond Standard Model
 - New CP violation phase
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Belle II Schedule



Summary & Outlook

- The measurement of the transverse polarization of $\Lambda(\bar{\Lambda})$ in the inclusive process $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Lambda(\bar{\Lambda}) + X$ and $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Lambda(\bar{\Lambda}) + K^\pm(\pi^\pm) + X$ is performed at Belle.
- Nonzero transverse polarizations of $\Lambda(\bar{\Lambda})$ is observed for the first time at $e^+ e^-$ annihilation. Its magnitude as a function of z_Λ and p_t was presented.
- By selecting identified light hadrons (K^\pm, π^\pm) in the opposite hemisphere we also obtain sensitivity to the flavor dependence.
- Outlook
 - More correlation can be explored: $e^+ e^- \rightarrow \Lambda + \bar{\Lambda} + X \dots$
 - The SuperKEKB and Belle-II detector are under construction. Physics runs are expected from 2018. New opportunities at Belle II.

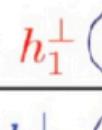
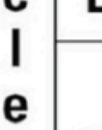
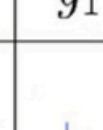
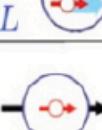
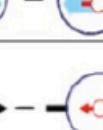
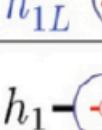
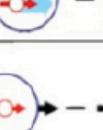
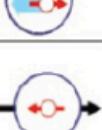
Thank you !



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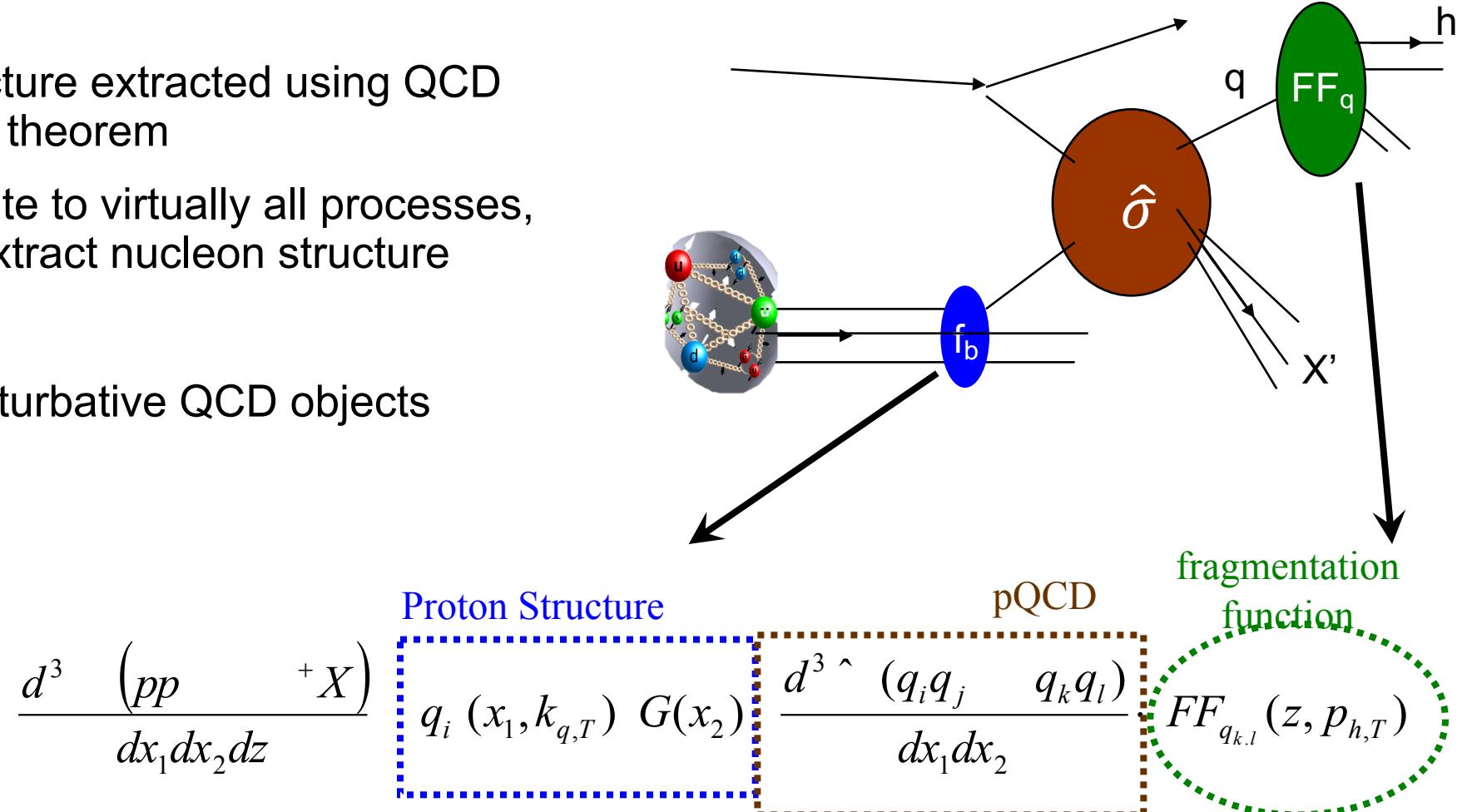
Backup slides

Parton distribution function

nucleon		quark		
		U	L	T
U	f_1 			
L			g_1  - 	h_{1L}^\perp  - 
T	f_{1T}^\perp -  - 	g_{1T}^\perp -  - 	h_1  -  - 	h_{1T}^\perp  -  - 

Fragmentation Functions: Why should we bother?

- Proton Structure extracted using QCD factorization theorem
- FFs contribute to virtually all processes, needed to extract nucleon structure
- FFs non-perturbative QCD objects



Unsolved questions/puzzles

- Where does the mass come from?
 - The Higgs boson only gives mass to some very simple particles.
 - The vast majority of mass comes from the energy needed to hold quarks together inside nuclei.
- Why are quarks confined in hadrons?
- How is the nucleon's spin is distributed amongst its constituent partons?
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- Strong interaction sector of the Standard Model, QCD, *is not well understood.*

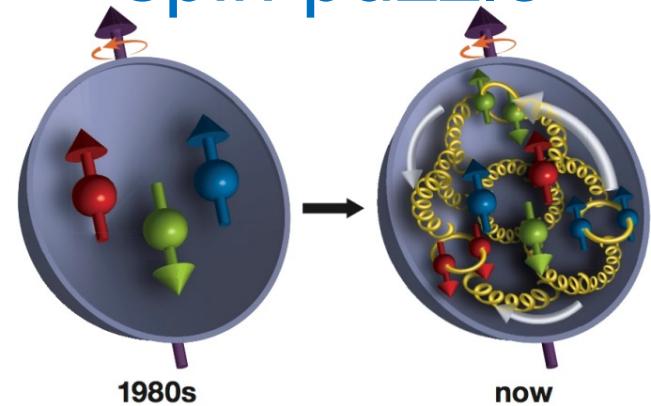
mass?



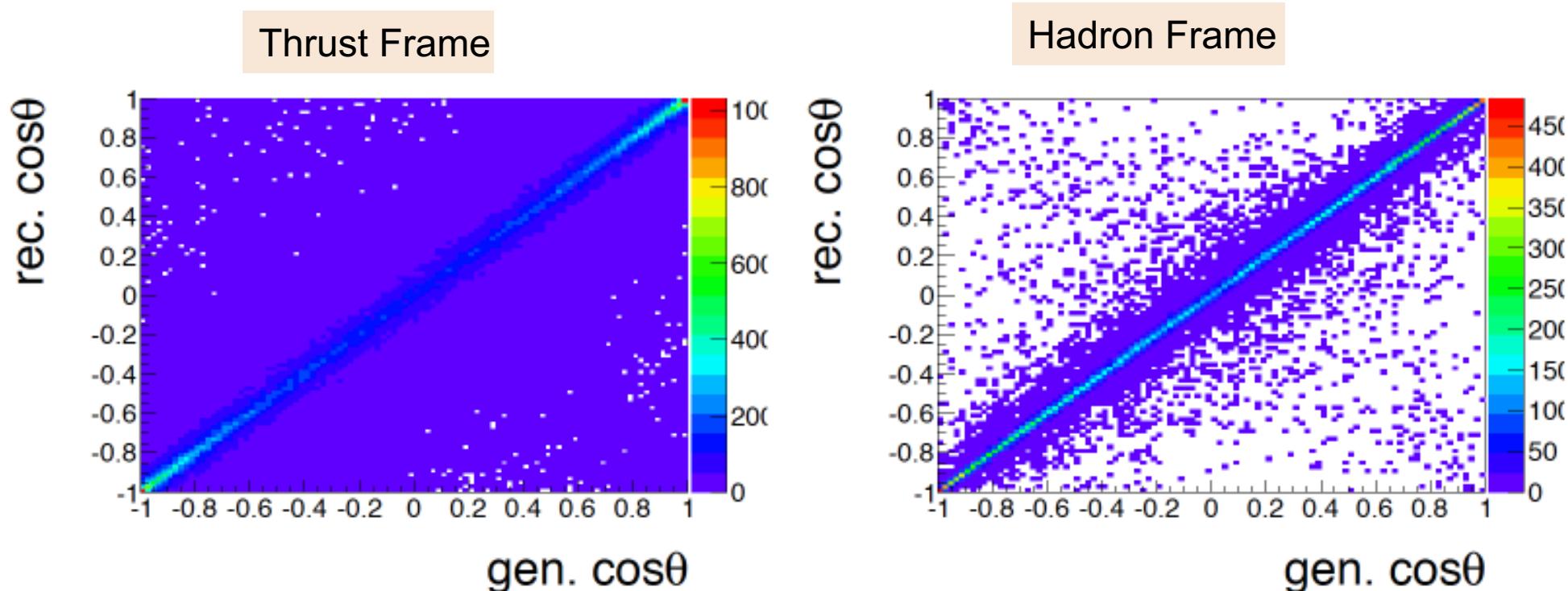
confinement



spin puzzle



Reference Frames (rec. vs. gen.)



- Smearing effects caused the detector resolutions.
- The hadron frame has better performance, because the resolution of a light hadron is better than the thrust axis.
- The dilution caused the smearing will be estimated from MC and used to correct results from data.